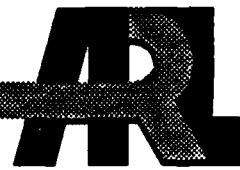


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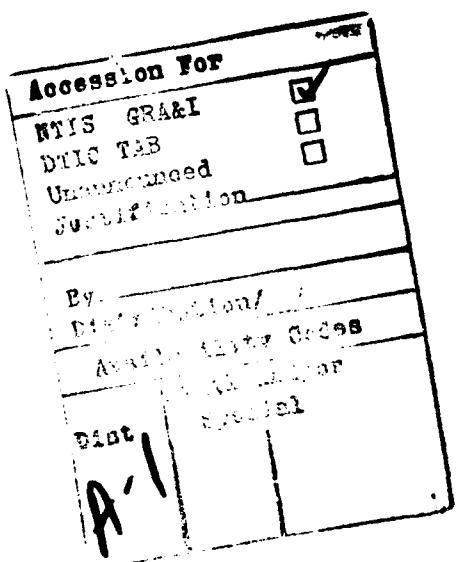
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## 1. INTRODUCTION

Methods have been and are being sought to increase the lethality of a kinetic energy (KE) tank round. One approach is to increase the rod's velocity by increasing the energy available to the round. This is most readily accomplished, at least in principle, by increasing the energy of the propellant.

The propellant of choice in several prior tank ammunition applications has been JA2. It is made from nitrocellulose (NC), nitroglycerine (NG), and diethylene glycol dinitrate (DEGDN) in relative amounts of roughly 60%, 15%, and 25%, respectively. JA2 has a nominal impetus of 1150 J/g, as computed from the BLAKE code.<sup>1</sup> To increase the energy, cyclotrimethylenetrinitramine (RDX) has been added to JA2 during manufacture.<sup>2, 3</sup> The computed increase in the impetus, flame temperature, and the chemical energy, which is the impetus divided by ( $\gamma - 1$ ), is given in Table 1. The common, generic name for JA2 propellant with RDX added is JAX. A common name for a specific amount of RDX added to JA2, say B%, is 2RB. For example, 10% RDX added is given the designation 2R10. This is the nomenclature used in Table 1.

JAX has been made with nominal RDX additions ranging from 6.5 to 30% by weight. The RDX used in the earlier manufacture of JAX was fluid energy milled and had particles with a mean diameter<sup>2</sup> of 7.5  $\mu\text{m}$ . The more recent manufacture used nominal 4- $\mu\text{m}$  recrystallized RDX from Dupont Corporation.<sup>3</sup> The JAX referred to in this report is generally the earlier manufactured material. For the same propellant formulation, more stick propellant than granular propellant can be placed into a fixed volume gun chamber; thus, the JAX had been made in both granular and partially cut stick (PcS) geometries. The sticks were kerfed, or cut part way through at selected linear intervals along the stick, to relieve the internal pressure when the propellant began burning.

Performance increases were realized.<sup>2</sup> However, the response of JAX to the unplanned stimulus of a shaped charge jet was violent, approaching, or, in some cases, perhaps sustaining a detonative event. Because JA2 itself usually just burns in such tests, the violent response was not anticipated. In addition, other propellants, e.g., XM39 and M43, have been formulated with several times the RDX loading of the JAXs and in similar tests, they responded less violently to the shaped charge

Table 1. BLAKE Computations for JA2 and Selected JAXs

Formula	Impetus J/g	Flame Temp K	Impetus/( $\gamma - 1$ ) J/g
JA2	1153	3448	5130
2R6.5	1168	3489	5194
2R10	1175	3509	5225
2R12	1179	3520	5240
2R16	1187	3541	5273
2R17.5	1189	3548	5283
2R20	1194	3560	5302
2R30	1209	3602	5367

attacks.<sup>4</sup> Thus, the question is raised: what happens to the JA2 when the addition of even small amounts of RDX is observed to change the vulnerability response from burning to detonative?

In an effort to address this question, several test results are reviewed. First, the mechanical fracture response of JAX relative to JA2 is discussed. Second, the results of a number of vulnerability tests that demonstrate the different vulnerability responses of JA2 and JAX are reviewed. Third, JAX is characterized by the now standard propellant characterization techniques,<sup>5</sup> the results were not anticipated and their interpretation consumes the latter half of this report.

## 2. THE FRACTURE RESPONSE OF JAX

### 2.1 Mechanical Response Testing.

Three lots of JAX propellant were produced in 1985 and had fracture response evaluations performed with methods that were in use during that period.<sup>6, 7, 8, 9</sup> The mechanical parameters reported are the results of those tests. These results have been shown to agree with results gathered from improved procedures and equipment subsequently developed to expand the scope and quality of fracture response measurement. This section is based on an unpublished technology transfer report.<sup>10</sup>

Two methods of fracture evaluation were used to characterize the JAX materials. The first was the drop weight mechanical properties test (DWMPT)<sup>6, 7</sup> that provides high-rate, uniaxial, compressive loading to individual grains from which the propellant modulus, failure stress, failure strain, etc., are determined at various temperatures (-50° C to 60° C). These parameters are illustrated in Figure 1. This test characterized the uniaxial response of standard test grains and can indicate fracture response differences in materials. The second method was the gas gun impact test (GGIT)<sup>8, 9</sup> with surface area analysis performed using the damaged grains. In this latter test, a single grain is damaged by a single impact at a controlled velocity, orientation, and temperature. After several grains are damaged, the grain and any of its shards are collected and burned in a small closed bomb. The pressure-time data is reduced using burning rates established for undamaged grains. From this, a surface area vs fraction burned profile is generated that reveals the nature and degree of the fracture damage suffered during impact, as shown in Figure 2. The fracture susceptibility is quantified by summing the difference between the damaged-grain fracture profile and the profile predicted for the undamaged grain, which is represented by the shaded area in the plot. These two procedures provide mechanical and fracture response information that can be used to indicate propellant fracture susceptibility.

DWMPT and GGIT procedures were performed using JAX propellant under conditions similar to those used for previously tested JA2 propellant. DWMPT procedures were conducted at 20, -10, and -32° C at a strain rate of about 200 s<sup>-1</sup>. Modulus, failure stress, and failure strain vs temperature results are shown in Figure 3. The JA2 results (solid diamonds) are connected by a smooth curve.

The JAX data in Figures 3a and 3c tend to lie on or above the JA2 line. Also, the JAX data tend to be ranked at a given temperature, the larger values corresponding to specimens with more RDX filler.

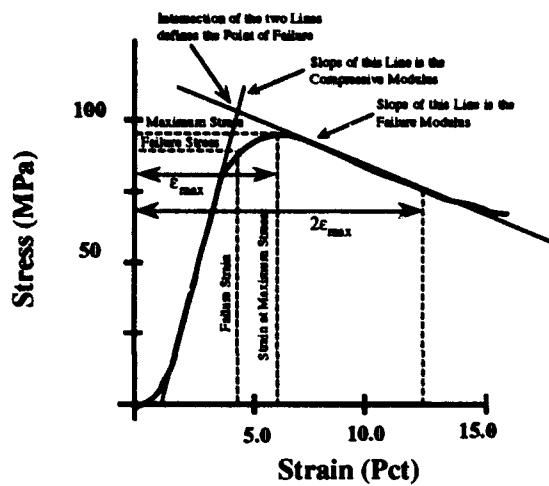


Figure 1. Mechanical Parameters Illustrated

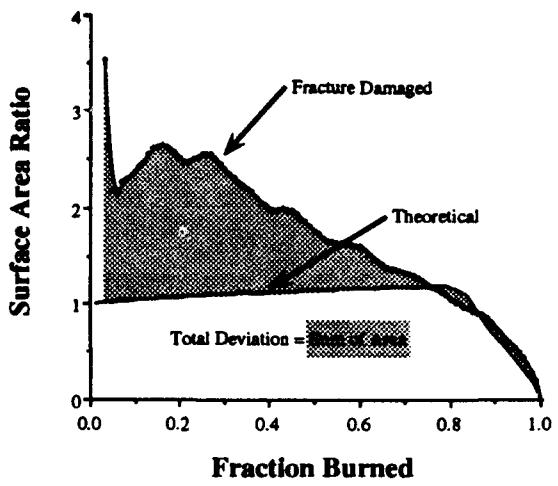
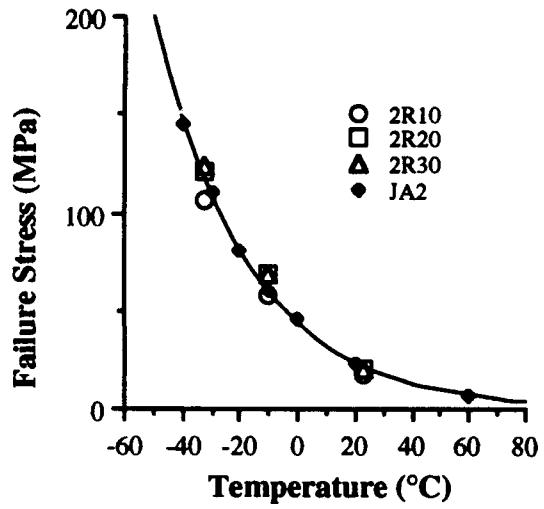
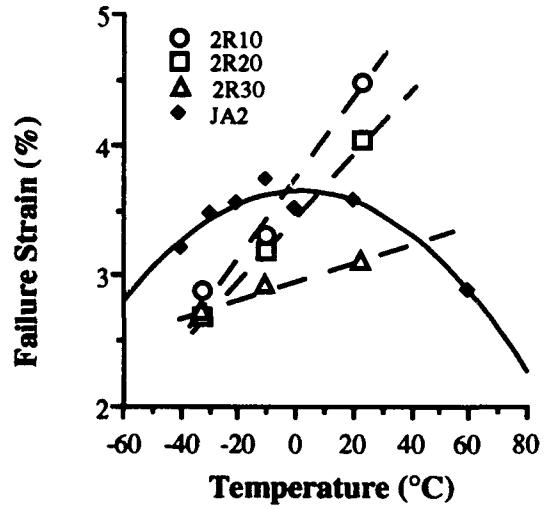


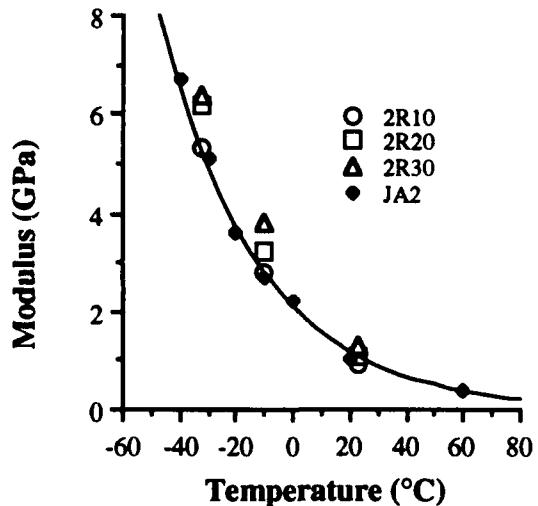
Figure 2. The Total Deviation Parameter



a. Failure Stress vs Temperature



b. Failure Strain vs Temperature



c. Modulus vs Temperature  
Figure 3. Mechanical Response Results

The JA2 failure strain curve of Figure 3b decreases in both directions from 0° C. In the lower-temperature direction, the increased brittleness causes failure at lower strain; in the higher-temperature direction, the rapidly increasing softness causes plastic failure, also at lower strain. (Results from dynamic mechanical analysis<sup>11</sup> indicate that glass transition occurs at or slightly below -20° C. See Figure 4.)

Figure 3b shows that the JAX propellants do not soften as JA2 but maintain a brittle character over the temperature range tested. 2R10 and 2R20 exhibit similar slopes, while 2R30 has a much shallower one. Again, the magnitude of the strain at failure tends to be ranked with the level of RDX filler used in the JAX. Looked at another way, the addition of the RDX filler reduces (or possibly eliminates) the gross thermoplastic-flow characteristics of the JA2 propellant at higher temperatures and extends the brittle characteristics of the JAX into the higher temperature regimes.

The GGIT procedure was carried out at three velocity-temperature matrix points for the three JAX formulations. For JAX propellant at -20° C, grain fracture was observed to begin at about 110 m/s, so velocities of 90 and 120 m/s were chosen as two of the matrix points. At -30° C, the third matrix point was selected. The results of these tests and ones previously completed for JA2 are shown in Figure 5. The total deviation (defined earlier, see Figure 2) is an arbitrary scale that measures the

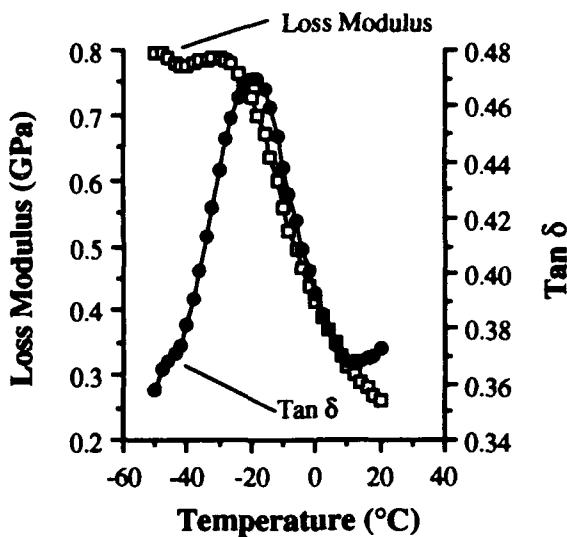


Figure 4. DMA Data for JA2 Which Indicate Glass Transition Temperature Region

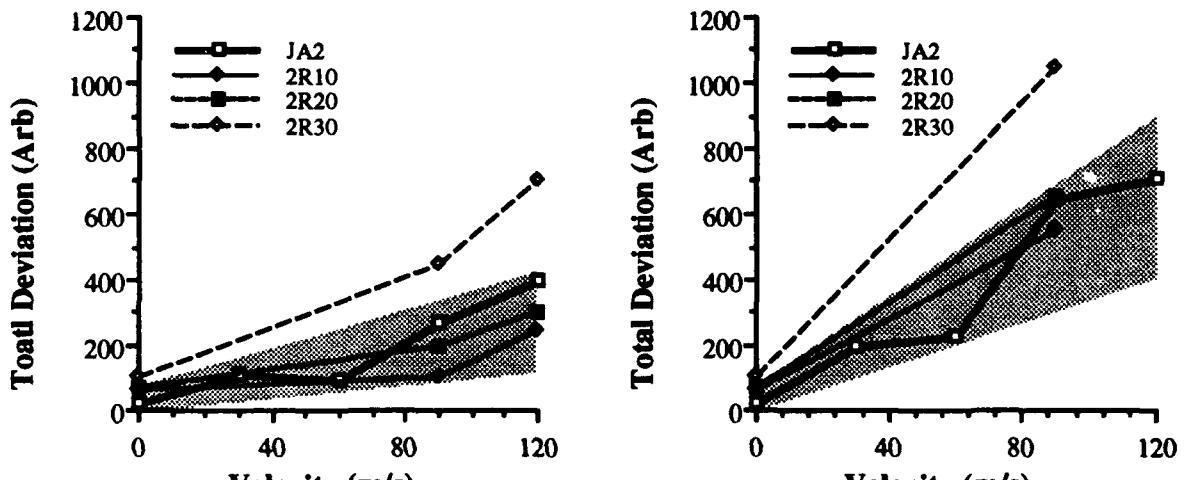


Figure 5. Total Deviation vs Impact Velocity for Gas Gun Impact Test

degree that the damaged grain surface-area profile deviates from the profile predicted for undamaged grains. Closed bomb results for undamaged grains, when subject to this analysis, produce total deviations that average about 45 with a range between 30 and about 100. Significant grain fracture is thought to have occurred when values near 200 result. The comparison of fracture damage and fracture susceptibility via the total deviation is made by noting differences in this parameter at similar impact conditions.

Figure 5 shows several things that are evident:

- 1) As the RDX content of the JAX increases, the fracture susceptibility increases.
- 2) The fracture susceptibilities of the 10% and 20% RDX compositions of JAX are similar to each other and comparable to JA2. (The shaded area indicates the range of JA2-like behavior.)
- 3) The 30% RDX composition has a significantly greater fracture susceptibility than JA2 at both -20 and -30° C.
- 4) These results are self-consistent and consistent with DWMPT results.

## 2.2 JAX Fracture Response Conclusions.

The mechanical properties and fracture response of JAX were measured under conditions that were thought to show the greatest differences between JA2 and JAX. Measurements showed that at RDX levels near or below 20%, JAX mechanical response was not significantly different from JA2, and may, in fact, have been slightly better (see Figure 5a). At RDX levels near 30%, the DWMPT mechanical response indicated the increase in brittleness would result in the creation of significant fracture-generated surface. This observation was confirmed in GGIT fracture susceptibility tests. JAX with 30% RDX had significantly greater fracture-induced surface area than did JA2, 2R10, or 2R20 under similar impact conditions.

These tests indicate that JAX propellant up to an RDX content of about 20% should not suffer worse fracture-related performance loss or vulnerability susceptibility than JA2, as long as the stress environments are equivalent. At RDX levels of 30% and greater, JAX can be expected to have significantly worse fracture-related performance and vulnerability responses than does JA2 under the conditions in these experiments. This does not say that a JAX propellant cannot be designed to give satisfactory performance under normal interior ballistic conditions. However, when conditions deviate from normal (such as localized ignition at low temperature, or shaped-charge jet interaction) and grain fracture occurs, a JAX propellant can be expected to have a more severe fracture response than JA2. Since JA2 has been shown to be a thermoplastic elastomer with time-temperature equivalence,<sup>12</sup> failure strain results indicate that as the strain rate of the deformation increases, the divergence in mechanical response between JA2 and JAX should increase. That is, as the interaction rates increase, JAX should show an increasingly greater level of brittle response when compared to JA2 (see Figure 3b).

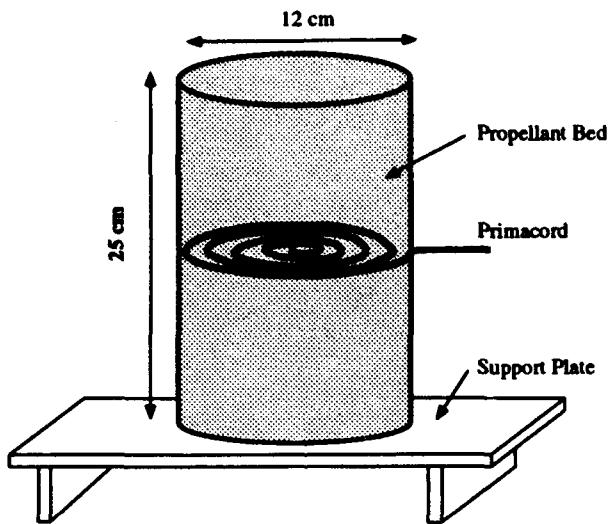


Figure 6. PrimaCord Shock Initiation Test Setup

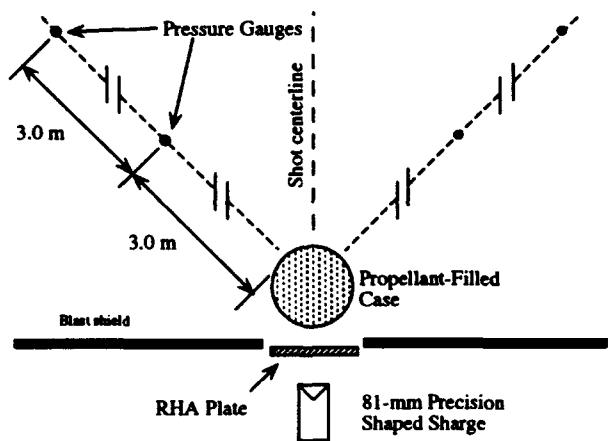


Figure 7. Schematic Diagram of the Air Blast Experiment

RHA (not shown). The Primacord is ignited and the propellant reacts. If the 10-mm support plate is destroyed, a detonative event is indicated and usually indentations can be found in the base plate.<sup>2</sup>

These tests indicated a violent response for 2R30 and mild responses for 2R10 and 2R20.<sup>2</sup> These results are consistent with the findings of the fracture response tests of JAX discussed in Section 2. The JAX formulation 2R30 was eliminated from further consideration.

### 3.2 The Air Blast Test.

A schematic of the test configuration for the air blast measurements is found in Figure 7. An 81-mm BRL precision shaped charge jet is conditioned by a 25-mm RHA plate at a distance of 2 cone

### 3. VULNERABILITY TESTS: DESCRIPTION AND RESULTS

Several vulnerability tests had been performed using these early JAXs as the test propellant. In this section, these tests and their results are outlined in rough chronological order: 1) the Primacord shock initiation test, 2) the air blast test, 3) the shock velocity test, 4) the impulse pendulum test, and 5) the staged compartment test.

#### 3.1 The Primacord Shock Initiation Test.

This test has been designed to rank new propellant formulations by their relative response to explosive shock initiation. It is a simple "go" or "no-go" screening test designed to eliminate those propellants with a demonstrably poor vulnerability response.

Figure 6 shows a schematic of the Primacord shock initiation test setup. A 250-mm section of a 120-mm combustible case is filled halfway with granular propellant. A predetermined length of Primacord, with a mass of about typically 32 g, is coiled and placed on top of the propellant bed. A short length of cord extends through the wall of the case to accommodate the igniter. The case is filled to the top with propellant that is held in place by sealing the case with gun tape. The case is placed on a 305-mm by 610-mm section of 10-mm rolled homogeneous armor (RHA) plate supported by two plates of 51-mm RHA which, in turn, rest upon a large 51-mm section of

diameters (CD). (This standoff distance has been selected because the jet is thought to have well-defined characteristics [for example diameter, velocity, and length] at this distance.) The conditioned jet proceeds through and interacts with the propellant. The shock wave produced by the jet-propellant interaction is detected by in-ground pressure gages that are located along radii  $45^\circ$  on either side of the jet center line. The pressure gages are situated in lead shields sunk into ground. The entire test area had been graded and leveled. The data consists of time of arrival of the shock and the pressure measured at a given location. For comments on the difficulty of obtaining reliable data from this type of test, see Reference 13.

Table 2 shows data for an inert material, JA2 in both granular and PcS geometries, and a number of JAXs. The upper section of this table refers to the data taken at the 3.0-m locations while the lower section refer to those data taken at the 6.1-m locations. The left most column identifies the Range 10 shot number; the second and third columns identify the propellant used; the fourth and fifth columns tell the geometry (granular or partially cut stick) and the perforation (7 or 19). The sixth column shows the weight of each propellant in kilograms. The next columns display the results. Pressure values measured along the left (L) and right (R) legs, as well as the average (A) of both legs are show in columns 7, 8 and 9, respectively, in Table 2. The right most column shows the average arrival time of the shock.

Figures 8 and 9 graphically display the average air blast results for the different propellants. The JA2 responses are slightly greater than the inert material response. On the other hand, the JAXs give a more violent response.

Figures 10 and 11 show the air blast arrival times. The inert material exhibits the longest times (i.e., slowest shock wave, which in this case must be due only to the shaped charge jet itself). The arrival time for the JA2 propellants is slightly faster. The JAXs, however, all show significantly

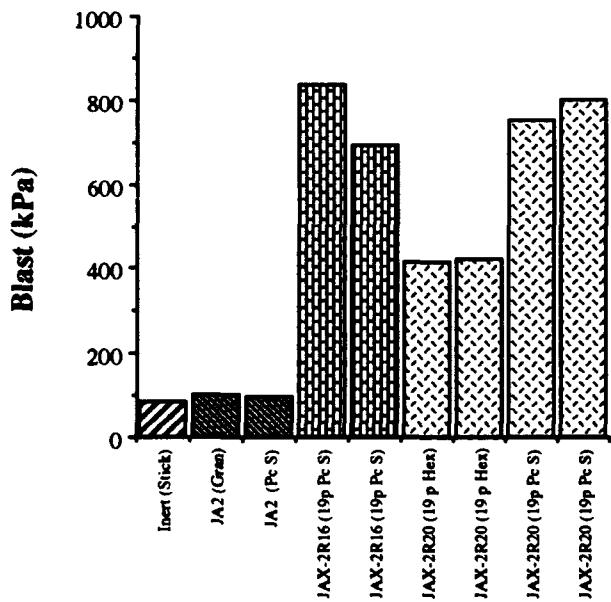


Figure 8. Air Blast Pressure at 3.0 m

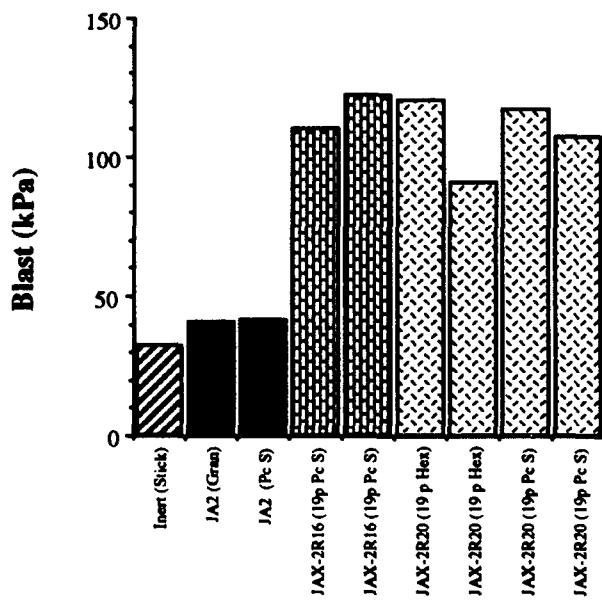


Figure 9. Air Blast Pressure at 6.1 m

Table 2. 3.0 and 6.1-m Air Blast Data

Shot Number	Lot Number	Propellant Name (geometry)	Number Perfs	Mass (kg)	3.0-m Blast Line (kPa)			3.0-m Arrival Time (msec)
					Left	Right	Average	
S-NG711901	Orange EC	Inert (Stick)	7	3.5	82.7	No Data	82.7	5.4
S-NG711903	RAD00M0015102	JA2 (Gran)	7	4.1	124.0	87.5	99.2	4.7
S-NG716702	RAD792-32	JA2 (Pc S)	19	4.8	96.5	99.2	97.8	4.8
S-NG716203	HCL87A010-002	JAX-2R16 (19p Pc S)	19	4.9	654.6	1005.9	834	1.9
S-NG716703	HCL87A010-002	JAX-2R16 (19p Pc S)	19	5.3	792.4	592.5	692	1.9
S-NG711902	HCL86H003-009	JAX-2R20 (19p Hex)	19	3.9	441.0	385.8	413	2.1
S-NG716901	HCL86H003-009	JAX-2R20 (19p Hex)	19	3.9	430.6	413.4	422	2.2
S-NG716903	HCL86H003-009	JAX-2R20 (19p Pc S)	19	4.8	778.6	723.5	751	1.9
S-NG716302	HCL86H003-009	JAX-2R20 (19p Pc S)	19	5.0	792.4	806.1	799	1.8
Shot Number	Lot Number	Propellant Name (geometry)	Number Perfs	Mass (kg)	6.1-m Blast Line (kPa)			6.1-m Arrival Time (msec)
					Left	Right	Average	
S-NG711901	Orange EC	Inert (Stick)	7	3.5	33.1	32.4	32.7	12.9
S-NG711903	RAD00M0015102	JA2 (Gran)	7	4.1	41.3	40.0	40.7	12.0
S-NG716702	RAD792-32	JA2 (Pc S)	19	4.8	48.2	34.5	41.3	11.0
S-NG716203	HCL87A010-002	JAX-2R16 (19p Pc S)	19	4.9	117.1	103.4	110.2	7.1
S-NG716703	HCL87A010-002	JAX-2R16 (19p Pc S)	19	5.3	158.5	86.1	122.3	6.9
S-NG711902	HCL86H003-009	JAX-2R20 (19p Hex)	19	3.9	124.0	117.1	120.6	7.5
S-NG716901	HCL86H003-009	JAX-2R20 (19p Hex)	19	3.9	89.6	92.3	90.9	7.7
S-NG716903	HCL86H003-009	JAX-2R20 (19p Pc S)	19	4.8	130.9	103.4	117.1	6.7
S-NG716302	HCL86H003-009	JAX-2R20 (19p Pc S)	19	5.0	103.4	111.6	107.5	6.7

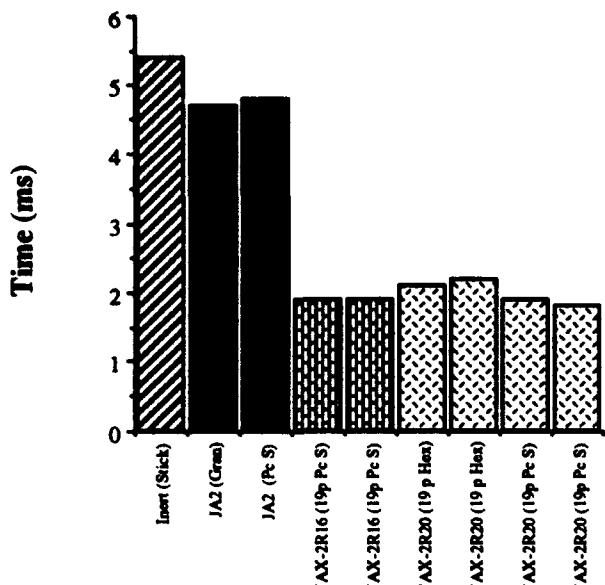


Figure 10. Air Blast Arrival Time at 3.0 m

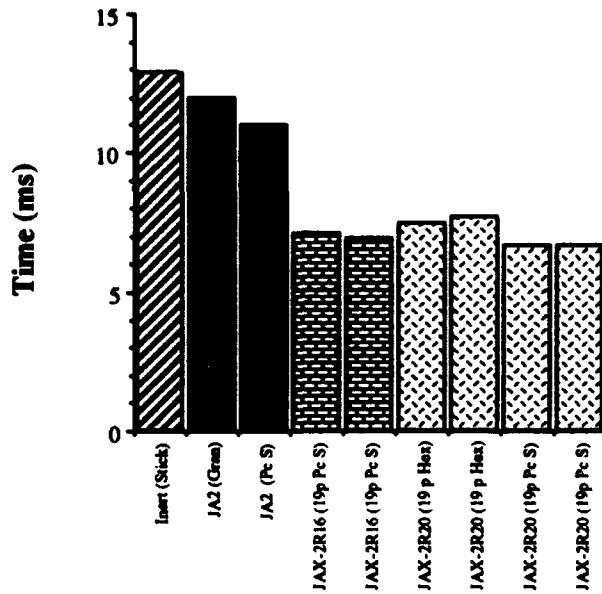


Figure 11. Air Blast Arrival Time at 6.1 m

faster arrival times, again indicative of a more violent reaction.

### 3.3 The Shock Velocity Test.

Figure 12 shows a schematic of the shock velocity test.<sup>14, 15</sup> An 81-mm BRL precision shaped charge is aimed at the center of the box of propellant. The shaped charge is fired, the jet is formed, and is conditioned by 51 mm of RHA. It then strikes the trigger plate and interacts with the propellant within the wooden box. Any residual jet is captured by the stack of RHA blocks. At a position 80 mm from the upper surface of the catcher blocks, the upper surface of the third RHA block was indexed to obtain a measure of the actual center-line of the jet. The 2R16 19-perforation stick JAX was broken at the kerfs to provide "grains" with an L/D about unity.

The wooden propellant box is made 250-mm square and 80-mm deep. In the vertical center plane of this box (i.e., 40 mm below the trigger),

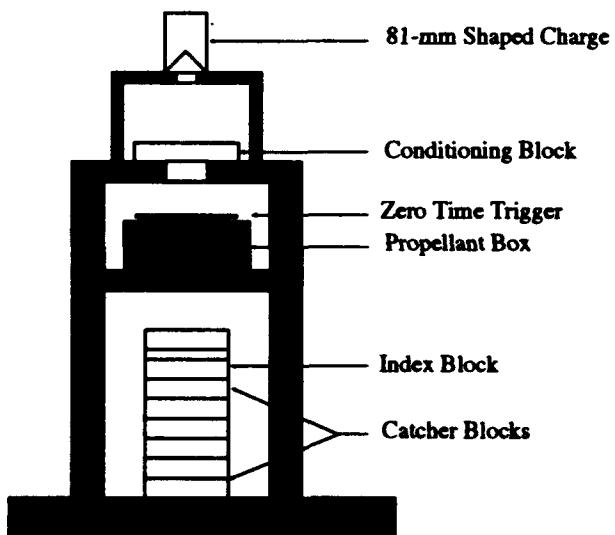


Figure 12. Schematic of the Shock Velocity Experiment

Table 3. Shock Velocity Coefficients

Shot Number	Propellant Name	Lot Number	A	B	C
16	INERT	WEP	-10.50	0.35	25.70
17	INERT	WEP	-6.19	0.21	16.40
36	2R16	HCL-87A-010-002	7.39	0.08	-10.60
41	JA2-19p	RADPE-792-11	-6.41	0.22	17.30
43	JA2-19p	RADPE-792-11	-7.61	0.26	19.60
44	JA2-19p	RADPE-792-11	-6.97	0.24	18.50

eight sacrificial microphones are positioned at progressively increasing radii from the center (see Figure 13). The microphones are located on radii 28 mm to 102 mm from the center of the box. The shock front from the propellant-jet interaction passes through the propellant bed and is sequentially detected by the microphones. Since the location of each microphone is known, the basic data consists of time of arrival of the shock front vs location. Differentiation provides velocity vs time information.

Table 3 identifies the lot numbers for several propellants, their shot numbers, and their coefficients in the empirical formula:

$$\text{shock velocity (km/s)} = A + Bd^{0.5} + Cd^{-0.25}. \quad (1)$$

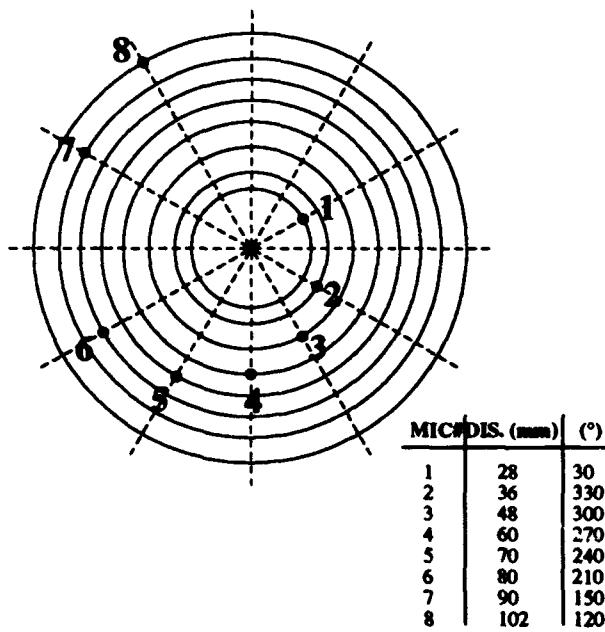


Figure 13. Schematic of Microphone Locations

Equation (1) has been used to compute the information in Table 4 for shots 16, 17, 36, 41, 43, and 44. The average of shots 16 and 17 (the inert shots) and the average of 41, 43, and 44 (the JA2 shots) are also shown in Table 4. The sigma column is the standard deviation of the three JA2 shots.

Figure 14 shows the shock velocity of the average inert, the average JA2 and the 2R16 plotted against distance from the center of the box. The inert material and JA2 propellant show a shock with monotonically decreasing velocity. By contrast, the 2R16 JAX exhibits an accelerating velocity with distance. These results clearly indicate that the response of the JAX is more violent and of a different nature than the response of the JA2.

Table 4. Shock Velocities (km/s) as a Function of Distance

Distance (mm)	Shots								
	16	17	Average 16, 17	36	41	43	44	Average 41, 43, 44	Sigma
20	3.21	2.50	2.85	2.75	2.75	2.82	2.85	2.81	0.05
30	2.40	1.96	2.18	3.30	2.18	2.18	2.24	2.20	0.04
40	1.93	1.66	1.79	3.69	1.86	1.82	1.89	1.86	0.04
50	1.63	1.46	1.54	3.97	1.64	1.60	1.67	1.64	0.04
60	1.44	1.33	1.38	4.21	1.50	1.44	1.54	1.49	0.05
70	1.31	1.23	1.27	4.40	1.41	1.33	1.42	1.39	0.05
80	1.22	1.17	1.19	4.56	1.34	1.26	1.36	1.32	0.05
90	1.16	1.12	1.14	4.71	1.28	1.22	1.32	1.27	0.05
100	1.12	1.10	1.11	4.84	1.26	1.18	1.28	1.24	0.05

### 3.4 The Impulse Pendulum Test.

Figure 15 shows a schematic of the impulse pendulum test apparatus.<sup>16</sup> In this test, propellants are placed in a cardboard shipping container, nominally 150 mm in diameter and 520 mm long. The attack path is diagonally through the center of mass of the propellant and placed at a convenient angle (but constant) so that the jet will miss the pendulum bob. The attack is by unconditioned bare Viper placed 2 cone diameters away from the propellant charge. The shock wave, produced by the interaction of the Viper's jet and the candidate propellant, impinges upon the nearby pendulum bob of massive weight. The distance between the propellant tube and the pendulum face is 305 mm. The displacement and the period of the pendulum are measured directly and the total impulse delivered to the pendulum is calculated from the following formula:

$$\text{Impulse} = 2\pi [\text{Mass} \times \text{Displacement/Period}]. \quad (2)$$

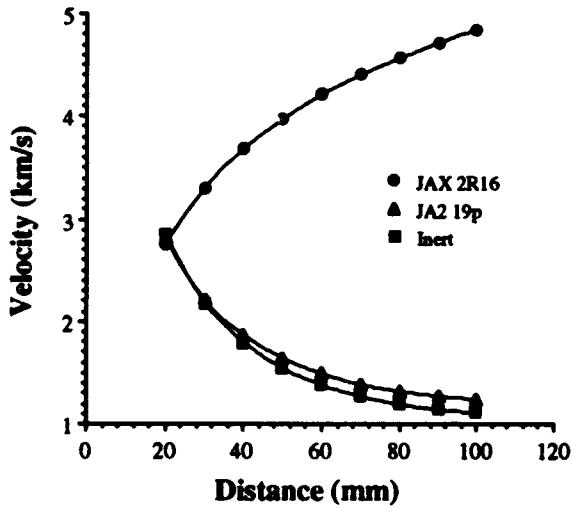


Figure 14. Shock Velocity Data for JA2 and JAX

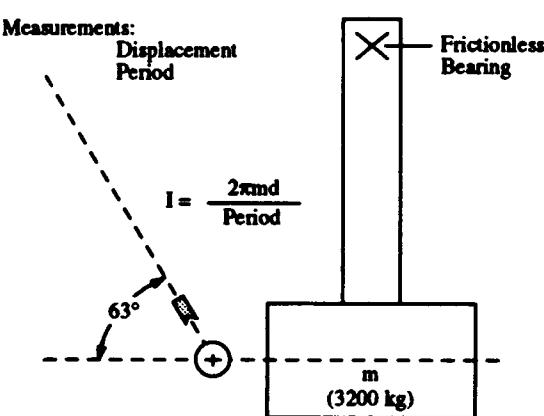


Figure 15. Schematic of the Impulse Pendulum Test

The contribution of the shaped charge itself is determined by shooting into a cardboard container filled with sand. This contribution is small and subtracted from the calculated impulse to obtain the impulse due to the jet-propellant interaction alone. Results are ranked in a relative fashion.

Table 5 identifies the propellant, the shot number, and the net impulse in N-s. The table is divided according to whether the weight of propellant tested was 2.3 kg or greater than 2.3 kg. Figure 16 shows the results for the 2.3-kg tests. Again, it is evident that 2R20, either in the granular or stick geometry, exhibits a greater response than the JA2. The results in Figure 17 are even more dramatic. Here JA2 at the 7.3-kg and 10-kg levels has about five times lower response than the 2R20 at the 7.3-kg level. This is further evidence that the JAX responds in fundamentally different fashion relative to JA2.

Table 5. Impulse Pendulum Data

Propellant Name (type)	Mass (kg)	Lot Number	Shot Number	Impulse (N-s)
JA2 (7p)	2.3	RAD-84G-001-S176	88-10	612
JA2 (19p)	2.3	RAD-PE-792-11	88-11	657
JA2 (19 Pcs)	2.3	RAD-PE-792-33	88-30	843
JAX 2R20 (7p Pcs)	2.3	HCL-86C-006-004	88-27	1484
JAX 2R20 (19 p Hex)	2.3	HCL-86H-003-009	88-13	1618
JAX 2R20 (19p Pcs)	2.3	HCL-86C-004-001	88-14	1896
JA2 (7p)	4.5	RAD-84G-001-S176	88-25	872
JA2 (19 Pcs)	10.	RAD-PE-792-33	88-28	1201
JA2 (19p)	7.3	RAD-PE-753-10	88-26	1208
JAX 2R20 (7p Pcs)	7.3	HCL-86C-006-004	88-29	5614

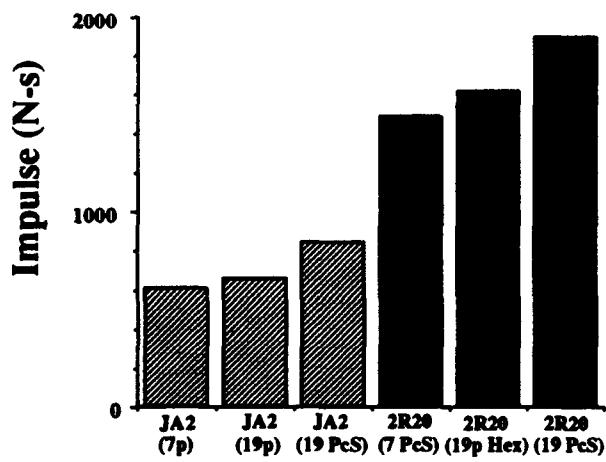


Figure 16. Impulse Pendulum Data for 2.3-kg Quantities of JA2 and JAX

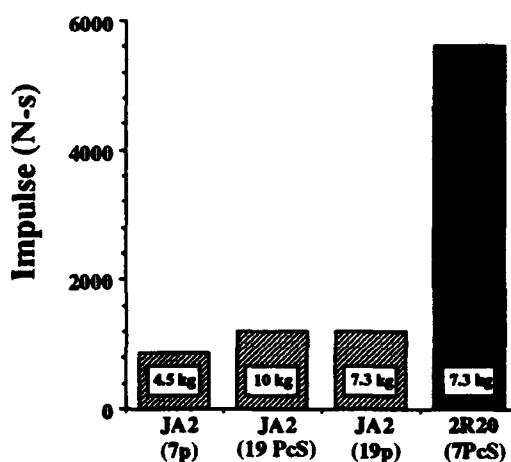


Figure 17. Impulse Pendulum Data for Various Amounts of JA2 and JAX

### 3.5 The Staged Compartment Test

These tests characterize the relative response of candidate propellants in confined quarters that simulate the volume of the stowage compartment of an M1 tank. The apparatus used in this test is shown in Figure 18 and is capable of holding ten rounds of sleeved 105-mm ammunition. However, in these experiments, 2.3 kg of propellant are placed in a cardboard tube and blocked with wood. This tube is then located within a standard aluminum stowage sleeve that is placed in the test apparatus on the second tier from the bottom, in front of the hole cut into the angled face of the armor. Only the sleeved 2.3-kg propellant charge is in the compartment. The threat is an 81-mm BRL precision shaped charge located at standoff of 2 CDs (not shown). The jet passes through 25 mm of RHA that is backed by 13 mm of Isodamp. The conditioning armor pack (not shown) is located against the slant wall of the compartment and the jet is aimed at the center of mass of the propellant. Two mounts for Kistler gages (calibrated to 13-MPa peak pressure) are located in both end walls of the compartment, in a plane parallel to the direction of the shaped charge jet attack. These gages provide (duplicate) pressure vs time data. The pressure-time curve is integrated (up to 10 ms) to provide specific impulse vs time information.

Table 6 identifies the propellants tested in the staged compartment apparatus. The testing of JA2 propellant took place on February 11, 1988, while the testing of 2R20 propellant took place on April 12, 1988. Figure 19 shows the computed impulse plotted against time for the four propellants listed in Table 6. It is obvious that the JA2 response is about five times lower than the JAX response.

### 3.6 Summary of JAX Vulnerability Testing

The mechanical properties tests, even at low temperatures, did not show an obvious correlation with the vulnerability tests that involved shaped charge jets interacting with the JAX propellant bed. This is not surprising since the role that mechanical properties play has been shown to be secondary to that of chemistry.<sup>17</sup>

All five tests discussed previously show that the response of JAX is fundamentally different from the response of JA2. Since JAX is manufactured by adding 30% RDX (or less) to JA2, the question arises: What is the specific mechanism that causes JA2 to go from a low response propellant, one that generally mimics the inert material response, to the violent response observed for the JAXs? The remainder of this report discusses how we began to address this question and what was found.

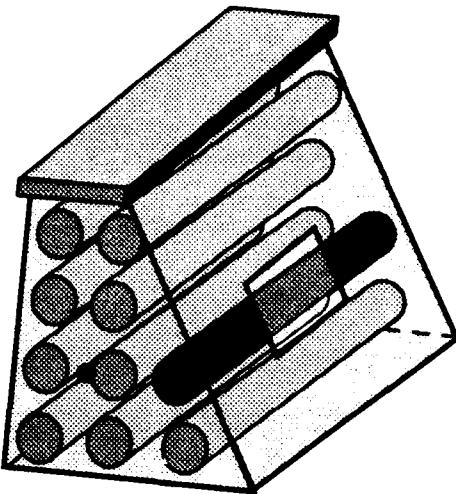


Figure 18. Schematic of the Ten-Round Staged Compartment Test  
(The target round is darkened.)

Table 6. Staged Compartment Propellants

Propellant	Lot#
2R20	HCL-88C-006-004
JA2 19P STICK	RAD-PE-792-33
JA2 19P GRAN	RAD-PE-792-11
JA2 7P GRAN	RAD-PE-001-S176

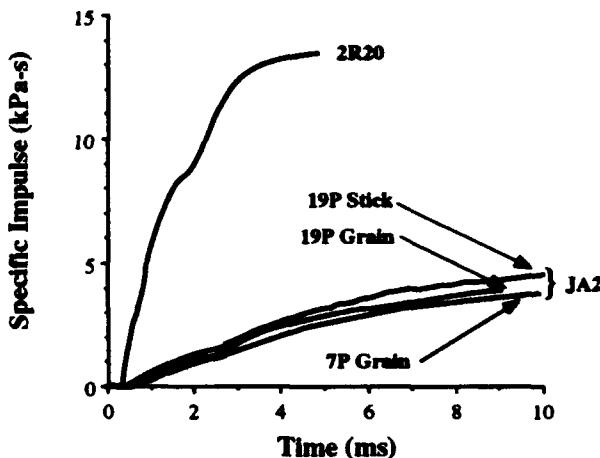


Figure 19. Staged Compartment Test Results for 2.3-kg Quantities of JAX and JA2

#### 4. JAX MORPHOLOGY

##### 4.1 SEM Background.

The physical arrangement of the processed material is very important to propellant performance. Defects such as voids, cracks, agglomerates, or foreign material can have a deleterious effect on the programmed burning of the charge by changing the mass generation rate of the propellant. This is done by supplying augmented surface area directly or through the resulting fracture, or by simply changing the intrinsic burning rate of the propellant. For this reason, scanning electron microscopy (SEM) has been adopted as a standard method of detecting these defects. Each propellant lot undergoing investigation is examined by SEM to ensure that the structure has its intended integrity. SEM micrographs are also used to assure that there are no processing problems, such as poor mixing of materials. Information may be uncovered during a routine SEM morphological screening examination that would alert researchers to potential performance problems and could eliminate or redirect subsequent testing.<sup>5</sup>

Therefore, undamaged specimens of each type of JAX propellant were cold fractured at dry ice temperatures. The low-temperature fracture reduces the possibility of introducing artifacts into the structure. Since cracks propagate through the material by a path of least resistance and defects usually supply a lower resistance pathway, the likelihood that a crack will encounter a defect (if it exists) as it propagates is enhanced. This process results in more defects being exposed at the fracture surface than would be represented in random sectioning of the specimen. Conversely, if no defects are seen on the newly exposed surface, it is likely that the defect population is small.

##### 4.2 SEM's of JA2 Grains.

Figure 20 shows micrographs of the cold-fractured surface of typical JA2 propellant and is presented as a basis for comparison. JA2 is a thermoplastic elastomer that undergoes a transition from mostly plastic to brittle behavior at about -20° C at deformation rates on the order of 100 s<sup>-1</sup> (see Figure 4). The typical JA2 cold-fracture surface is smooth, indicating brittle fracture. Some nitrocellulose (NC) is observed because the high nitration level (13.1%) of the NC prevents all of the fiber from dissolving in the plasticizer. Other propellants that use lower levels of nitration (12.6%)

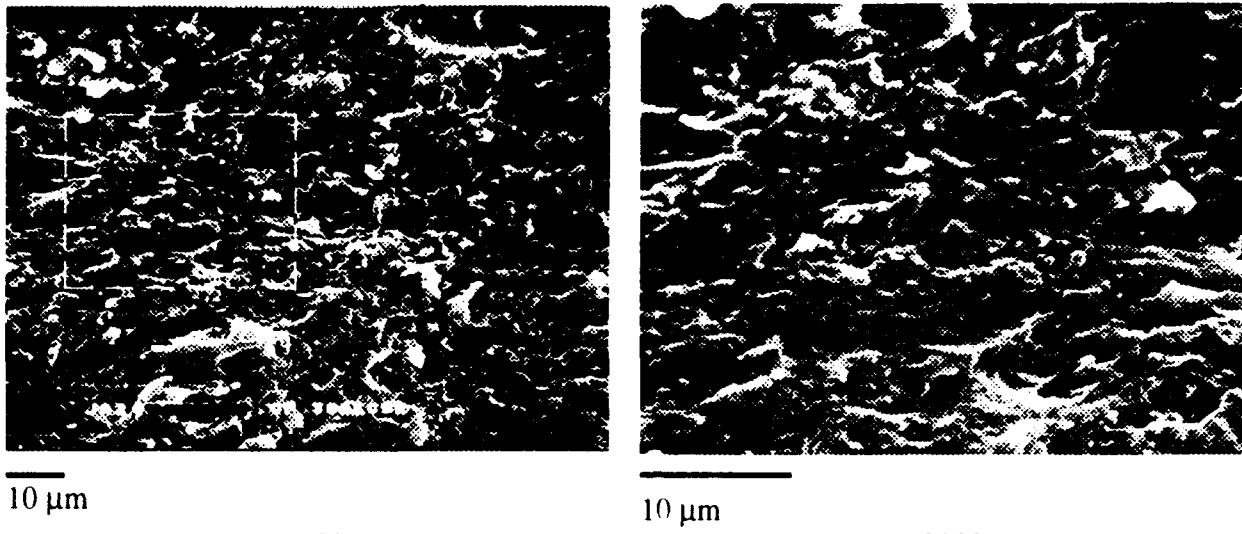


Figure 20. Micrographs of the Cold-Fractured Surface of JA2 Propellant

have the NC completely dissolved and do not show exposed fibers. The only other notable feature in typical JA2 propellant is the presence of very small (0.5 - 2  $\mu\text{m}$ ) particles distributed throughout the propellant. Their identity has not been established. They could be very fine carbon black, which is an added ingredient, or they could be small particles of MgO that are added during mixing to aid in the extrusion process. In any case, they seem to be found throughout the material.

#### 4.3 SEM's of JAX Grains.

Figure 21 shows micrographs of 2R 10, a JAX propellant. RDX particles that are less than 5  $\mu\text{m}$  in diameter are observed in these micrographs. The surface is not as smooth as the JA2 surface in Figure 20, but other JA2-like features are present, such as NC fibers and very small particles. The

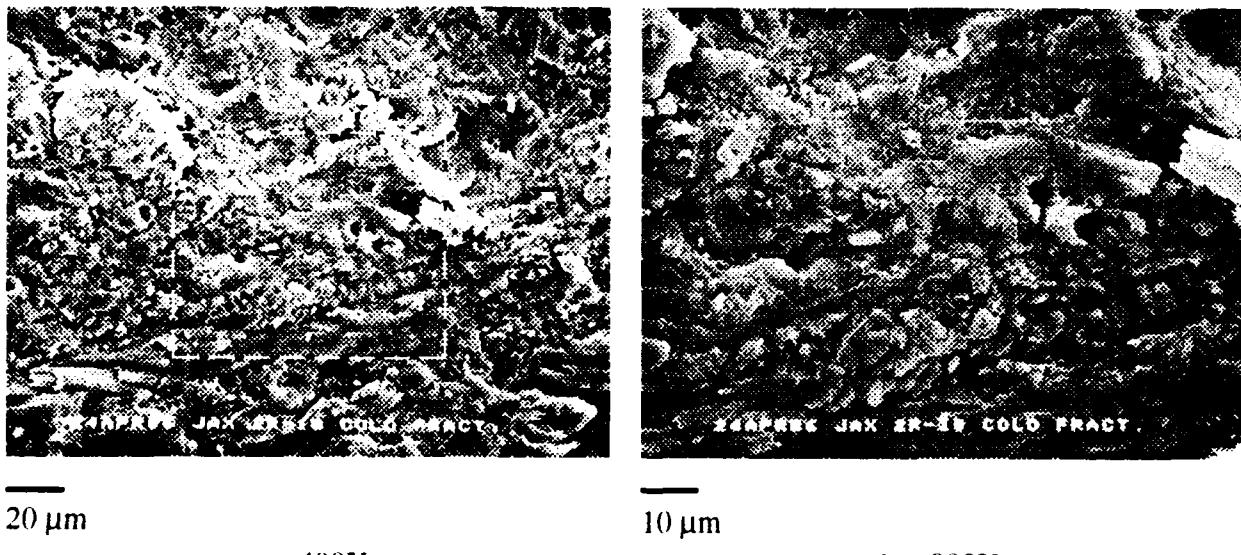
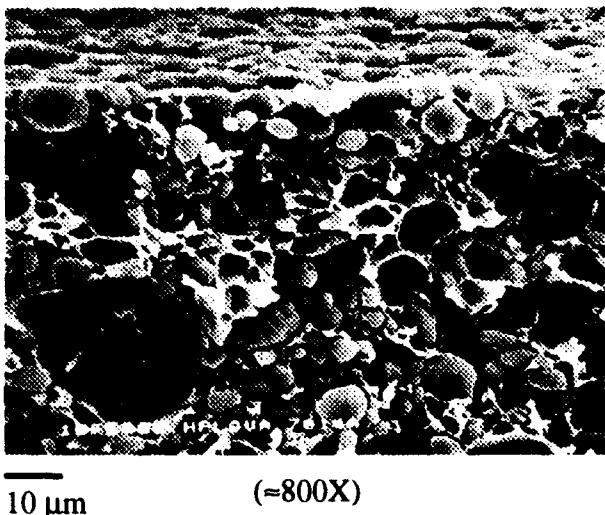


Figure 21. Micrographs of the Cold-Fractured Surface of 2R-10 JAX Propellant



10  $\mu$ m (=800X)

Figure 22. Nitramine Based Propellant with RDX in the 2 - 20  $\mu\text{m}$  Particle Size Range

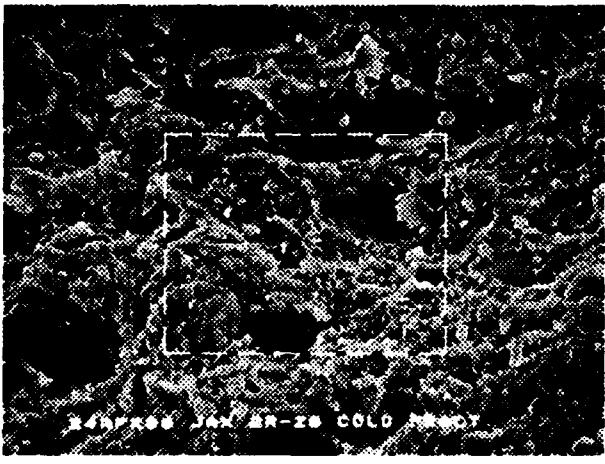
Figure 21). This was caused by the greater number of particles (i.e., defect locations) diffusing the path of the crack during the specimen preparation.

Micrographs of the 30% filled JAX propellant are presented in Figure 24. There are similar changes due to the increased concentration of RDX as were noted in Figure 23. There are more particles present and an even rougher surface. The major difference noted here is that the RDX size distribution seems to be more in line with what was expected.

The observations made for these three lots of JAX propellant are significant and consistent when considered in light of information that was gathered when a more recent production of JAX propellant was made. The JAX micrographs presented in Figures 22, 23, and 24 were taken when the propellant was first delivered in the Spring of 1986. A more recent production was manufactured

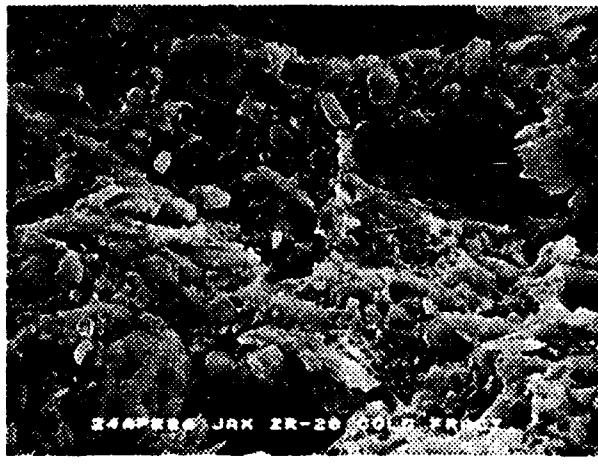
only unusual feature is that the particle size of the RDX is considerably smaller than expected. The distribution of particle sizes that was added to make JAX, and that typically appears in nitramine base propellants, has most of the particles within a range of 2 to 20  $\mu\text{m}$ . Figure 22 shows an example of a nitramine base propellant. It has 76% RDX filler that falls within the 2-20  $\mu\text{m}$  range. This range is representative of the RDX particles size distribution expected in the JAX specimen but was not observed.

Micrographs of JAX propellant with 20% RDX filler are found in Figure 23. As expected the number density of particles is greater, but the particle size is still about 5  $\mu\text{m}$ . The fracture surface is rougher than the 2R10 surface (see



20  $\mu$ m

a.  $\approx 400X$



10  $\mu$ m

b.  $\approx 800X$

Figure 23. Micrographs of the Cold-Fractured Surface of 2R-20 JAX Propellant

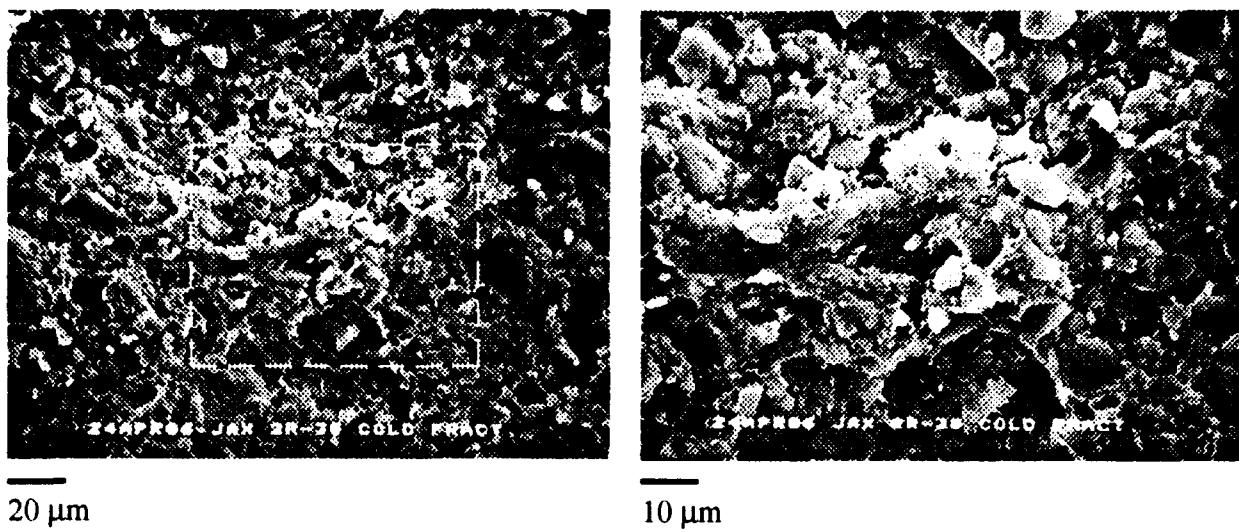


Figure 24. Micrographs of the Cold-Fractured Surface of 2R-30 JAX Propellant

at the Radford Army Ammunition Plant in February 1993.<sup>3</sup> The objective in making the newer JAX had been to test the effects of using recrystallized RDX rather than fluid-energy-milled RDX in a JAX composition. This lot was received for routine morphological testing and was cold fractured to investigate the structure. Crystals were observed covering the surfaces of the perforation walls. These observations had not been made with any previous lot of JAX. However, the only surfaces that were investigated using the earlier propellant were cold-fracture surfaces. Micrographs of early lots were inspected for similar observations, but there were no portions of micrographs that showed perforation surfaces of sufficient magnification to confirm the presence of crystals growth. Figure 25 shows a comparison between a JA2 perforation surface and the corresponding surface of a 2R7.7 JAX grain. All perforations showed similar crystal structure. All areas of every perforation showed evidence of crystal growth.

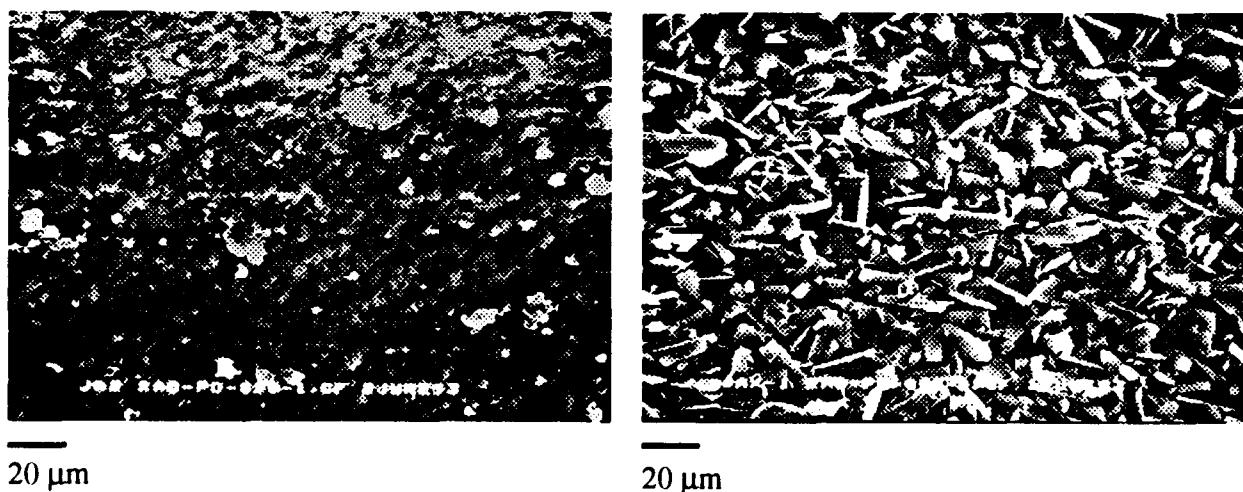


Figure 25. Micrographs of the Inner Perforation Surface of JA2 and JAX-1 Propellants

To understand the physical nature of the deposition process, the specimen used in Figure 25 was cold fractured along the radial direction of the grain. This provided an orthogonal view from the one presented in that figure, and provided an opportunity to observe the extent of the crystal growth.

Figure 26 shows the radial fracture surface. Attention is called to the whiter band of material that sits on the gray bulk of the propellant grain. It is clear that the crystals reside only on the extrusion surface. There is no extension of the crystals below a sharp line of demarcation, the extruded perforation surface.

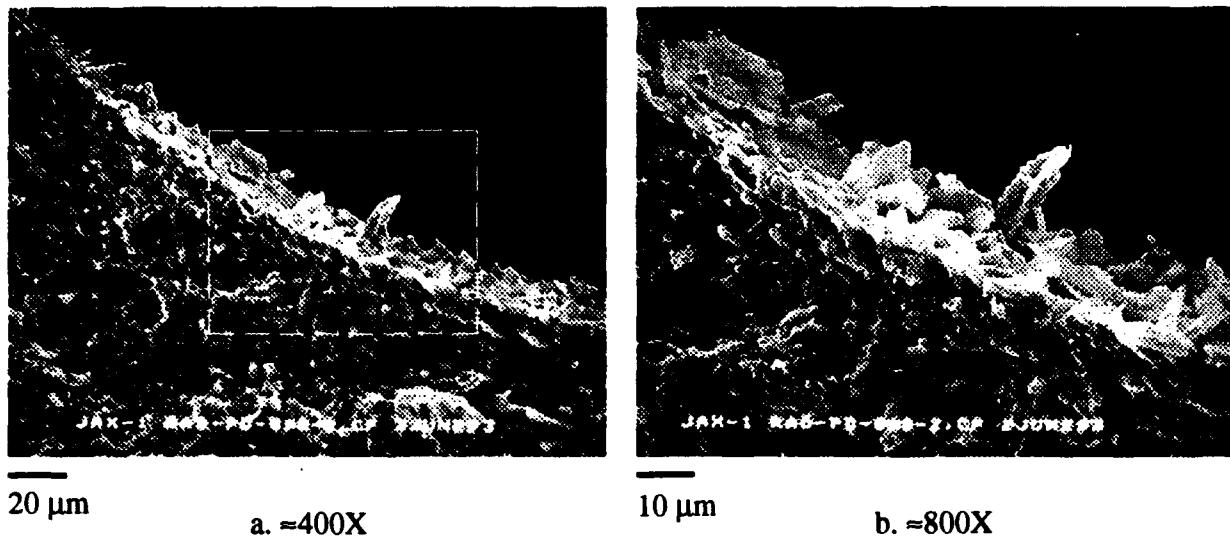
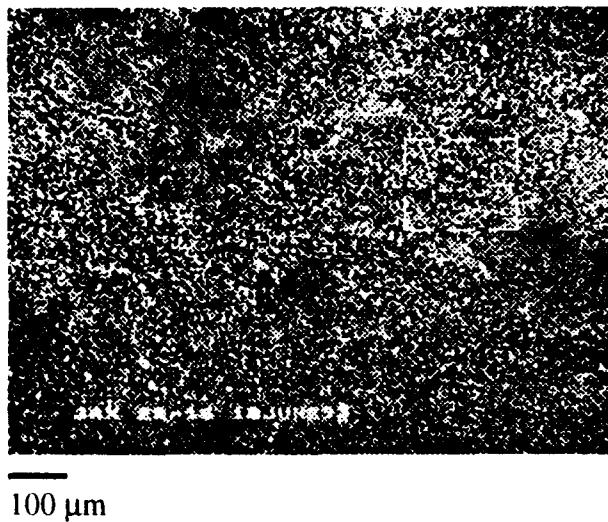


Figure 26. Micrographs of the Inner Perforation Surface of JAX-1 Shown in Figure 11b  
Cold-Fractured in the Radial Direction

The more recent lots of JAX were not the only ones to exhibit this crystallization phenomenon. The JAX propellant that was studied in 1986 (2R10, 2R20, 2R30, and 2R16) was still in storage in the magazine. It had been undisturbed for 7 years and was retrieved to see if this crystal growth could be seen in the perforations. When the ungraphited 2R16 JAX propellant was brought to the laboratory, a white "powder" was visible on its outside surfaces. Specimens of whole grains were prepared for SEM analysis and micrographs of the outside surface of the grain appear in Figure 27. Since the crystals must have appeared after extrusion, and since the crystals seem to appear upon annealing or long-term storage, the deposition mechanism is likely to be precipitation after transportation to the surface by means of solution.

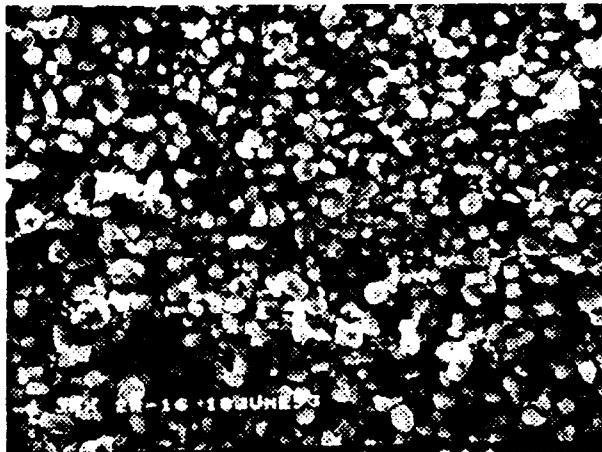
#### 4.4 Crystal Identification.

Positive identification of these crystals was needed and was obtained. The identification strategy consisted of 1) examining the surface of the perforations, where the crystals had been detected; and 2) examining the bulk material, away from external surfaces, as a control. The microreflectance-FTIR spectra of the JAX surfaces (see Figure 25b) were obtained using a Mattson Polaris FTIR spectrometer and a Spectra-Tech IR-Plan infrared microscope with a MCT detector.<sup>18</sup> The software included Kramers-Kronig transformations to correct spectral distortions. For both spectra, 32 scans were collected with a resolution of  $8 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ . The scans are shown in Figure 28.



100  $\mu\text{m}$

a.  $\approx 80\text{X}$



20  $\mu\text{m}$

b.  $\approx 400\text{X}$

Figure 27. Micrographs of the Exterior Surface of 2R-16 JAX Propellant after 7-Year Storage

Attention is drawn to the ordinate of Figure 28 in the region between  $1500$  and  $1700\text{ cm}^{-1}$ . From other spectra (not shown), an RDX spectral signature lies at about  $1600\text{ cm}^{-1}$  and an NC spectral signature lies at about  $1660\text{ cm}^{-1}$ . In the upper scan labeled "Bulk Surface of JAX" (Figure 28), we see the NC spectral signature at  $1660\text{ cm}^{-1}$ , but little or no indication of an RDX spectral signature at  $1600\text{ cm}^{-1}$ . On the other hand, the lower scan, labeled "Perforation Surface of JAX" (Figure 28), we do find the RDX spectral signature at about  $1600\text{ cm}^{-1}$ . The shape of the derived NC spectral signature at about  $1660\text{ cm}^{-1}$  is distorted. This results from a failure of the Kramers-Kronig transformation to perfectly compensate for the specular reflection of the crystals on the surface.

The crystals were positively identified as nitramines and we concluded that they were recrystallized RDX. With the information thus far it was hypothesized that some type of migration process was occurring that resulted in the deposition of RDX on the exterior surfaces of JAX propellants.

#### 4.5 The Formation of Crystals on JAX Surfaces.

Processing records indicated that annealing of the propellant was performed for 6 hours at  $43^\circ\text{C}$  after extrusion and cutting to relieve residual grain stress. Annealing is routinely performed as a part of JA2 processing, and was included in the JAX processing.<sup>3</sup> Thus, if heating were to accelerate the RDX deposition, all JAX materials should have RDX crystal growths on their external surfaces after manufacture.

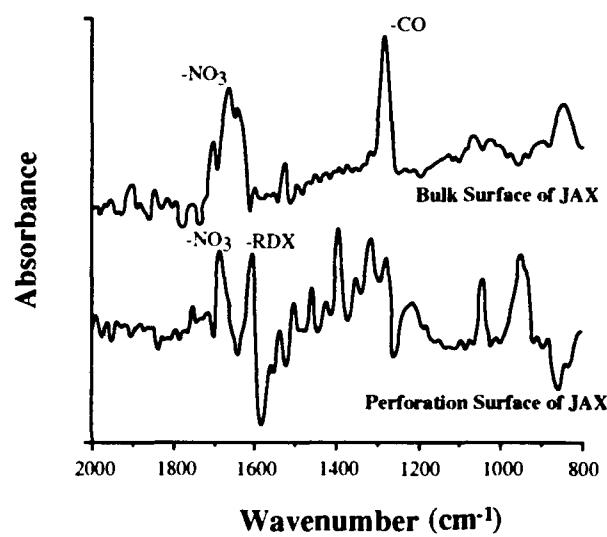


Figure 28. Microreflectance FTIR Spectra of JAX Surfaces

After annealing, the grains are tumbled to apply a graphite coating that aids in loading operations and increases packing density. We infer that the newer grains had the RDX removed from exposed outside surfaces during the tumbling process. This explains why crystals were found only within the perforations for the recently produced JAX. Grains stored for extended periods of time either were exposed to high temperatures (storage history is unknown) or the solution that transports the RDX to the surface had sufficient time to form these crystals after slowly evaporating.

As stated earlier, the annealing step in the processing of JAX suggests that heat might promote the RDX formation. We devised a simple test of this proposal. Specimens of JAX (2R16) were cut at 21° C (not cold-fractured) to expose fresh surface area that contained no crystals. One half of the grain was placed into an oven at 75° C for 65 hours. The other was placed within a laboratory hood at room temperature. After 23 hours the propellant specimens were removed from the annealing oven and inspected; crystals were observed on the surfaces. The control showed no sign of crystal formation. The samples were returned to the oven and the hood and after 65 hours they were again examined using the SEM. There was about the same number density of RDX crystals on the heated samples as there was after 23 hours, but the crystals were larger. The SEM results for heated and control samples after 65 hours are shown in Figure 29.

#### 4.6 The Role of DEGDN.

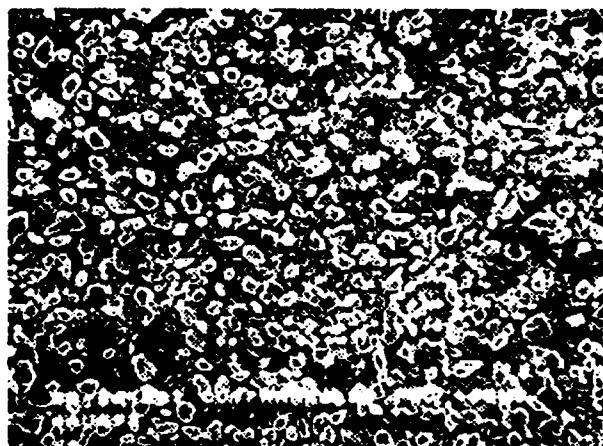
Evidence from thermogravimetric analysis experiments shows large weight losses (13.5 to 19%) for JA2 upon exposure to elevated temperatures. Table 7 shows the weight loss observed for the propellants JA2, M30, and M43 upon exposure to 60° C for 1000 minutes and upon exposure to 100° C for 360 minutes.<sup>19</sup>

The candidates responsible for this relatively large weight loss observed for JA2 are the plasticizers DEGDN or NG. Table 8 shows the vapor pressure for these two neat materials<sup>20</sup> over



50  $\mu\text{m}$

a. Control, Unannealed (=160X)



50  $\mu\text{m}$

b. Annealed, 75° C for 65 hr. (=160X)

Figure 29. Micrographs of the Cut Surface of 2R-16 JAX Propellant

**Table 7. Thermogravimetric Analysis for JA2, M30 and M43 at 60° C and 100° C**

Propellant Specimen	(% Wt. Loss)	
	T = 60° C t = 1000 min	T = 100° C t = 360 min
JA2	13.5	19
M30	7.5	12
M43	1.5	3

**Table 8. Vapor Pressures of Neat DEGDN and NG**

Temperature (° C)	Vapor Pressure (Pa)	
	DEGDN	NG
20	0.48	0.20
25	0.78	0.24
40	no data	1.00
45	no data	1.72
60	17.3	8.00

the temperature range 20° to 60° C. The neat vapor pressure of DEGDN is significantly greater than that of NG, a factor of 2 at 60° C, and the weight percentage of DEGDN is almost a factor of 2 greater than the weight percentage of NG in the formulation of JA2. These two ratios lead us to focus our attention on DEGDN as the principal solvent for the transport of RDX in the JAXs.

The next question concerns the solubility of RDX in DEGDN itself. Table 9 shows the available data for the solubility of RDX and HMX<sup>20</sup> at 25° C. The data are ranked according to the value of the absolute solubility of RDX. This value ranges from a low of 2.3 g/100 g solvent to a high of 41 g/100 g solvent. The absolute solubility of RDX in neat DEGDN has the lowest value.

Since DEGDN is about 25 wt% of JA2, and since 6 to 30 wt% of RDX is added to the JA2, the solution of dissolved RDX in the DEGDN and NG within the JAX propellant is very likely saturated.

#### 4.7 The RDX Deposition Process.

The measurable solubility of RDX in DEGDN and high vapor pressures for DEGDN strongly supports the following deposition process.

When RDX is added to the JA2 propellant, it dissolves to form a saturated solution in the propellant plasticizers. This accounts for smaller than expected particle sizes observed in morphology investigations, especially at lower concentrations of RDX. The high vapor pressure of DEGDN causes rapid vaporization of the plasticizer at all exposed propellant surfaces. During annealing, this process is accelerated (and the solubility of RDX may be greater) causing rapid loss of plasticizer and transport of RDX from the interior to the exterior surfaces. As the plasticizer vaporizes, the dissolved RDX precipitates and is deposited on the surface. Once crystals are formed on the surface, the tendency to enlarge existing crystals would take precedence over the creation of new sites, as is usually the case when solids precipitate from saturated solutions. This was observed in the most recent annealing experiments (see Section 4.5). The effect of this process is to remove RDX from the bulk of the grain and deposit RDX crystals on the exterior surfaces.

Table 9. Solubility of RDX and HMX in DEGDN at 25° C

Solvent	RDX	HMX	Ref	RDX/HMX
	(g/100g Solvent)			
DEGDN	2.3	<0.2	a	>11
Acetonitrile	5.5	2.0	b	2.8
Cyclohexanone	7.7	1.0	b	7.7
Acetone	8.2	2.8	b	2.9
Butyrolactone	14	12	b	1.2
Hexamethyl phosphoramide	16	1.4	b	11
Dimethyl acetamide	33	c	b	---
Dimethyl formamide	37	c	b	---
Dimethyl sulfoxide	41	57	b	0.7

a) Reference 18  
 b) CPIA/M3 "Solid Propellant Ingredients Manual" Nov 1989. RDX values from Unit 16, p15 of 21; HMX values from Unit 15, p16 of 22.  
 c) Shortly after the HMX dissolves, precipitation of solvate crystals occurs.

## 5. SAFETY IMPLICATIONS

Some of the final processing steps in the manufacture of JAX are conducted at elevated temperatures.<sup>3</sup> First, there is the "even-speed operation" conducted at 68° C that prepares the dough for carpet rolling. Second, the carpet rolls are conditioned at 66° C for a minimum of 30 hours. Finally after extrusion, trays of cut propellant are annealed for 6 hours at a temperature of 43° C. If our proposed mechanism for the precipitation of RDX on exposed propellant surfaces is correct, then it is likely that recrystallized RDX is formed in one or more of these processing steps. Thus, the recrystallized RDX constitutes a potential safety hazard even during its manufacture.

It is also noted<sup>21</sup> that "Microscopic examination of 2R12 and 2R16 propellant carpet rolls in storage at Radford (since 1986) confirmed the presence of unbound (recrystallized) RDX on the propellant surface."

We have noted in section 4.5 that the recrystallized RDX is likely to be mechanically loosened from the exposed exterior surfaces of JAX propellant. This was confirmed when recrystallized RDX

Table 10. Sensitivity Initiation Characteristics for JAX, JA2 and Neat RDX

Sample	Production Date	Total Volatiles (%)	RDX Content		Sample Thickness (mm)	Impact (cm)	Sliding Friction* (MPa)	Electrostatic Discharge (J)	Thermal Initiation (°C)
			Particle Size ( $\mu$ )	(%)					
2R12	Apr-86	0.05	47	12	2.46	80	390	≥9.5	198
2R16	Apr-86	<0.01	7.5	16	2.54	64	464	≥9.5	194
2R20	Feb-86	0.14	100	20	2.41	80	503	≥9.5	no data
JA2	Oct-86	0.30	0	0	2.46	80	617	≥9.5	195
neat RDX		dry	7.5	100	0.18-0.38	13-26	200-293	0.026-0.065	no data
neat RDX		dry	47	100	0.38-0.45	51	170	0.065	no data
neat RDX		dry	100	100	0.28-0.36	26-64	170-345	0.13-0.26	no data

\* at 244 cm/s

was easily removed from 2R12 and 2R16 carpet rolls in experiments at Radford by scraping the propellant surfaces with a spatula.<sup>21</sup>

This RDX crystal growth and subsequent separation from the propellant introduce safety concerns during propellant moving and handling operations that are not well understood. These concerns arise during sample inspection, the finishing phases in the JAX manufacturing process, and propellant shipment and storage.

Recent safety testing of several JAXs, JA2, and neat RDX has been done.<sup>21</sup> These results for threshold initiation levels are presented in Table 10. (In the table, threshold initiation level is defined as that level above which initiation can occur, and is established by 20 consecutive failures at the stated level. Initiation was determined by infrared detection of decomposition gases.) These data show little or no change in the initiation level among the JAXs as measured by electrostatic or thermal ignition. The differences in the JAX initiation values for impact and sliding friction were judged not significant. The report concludes that for all practical purposes the JAX initiation levels are comparable to the JA2 values. Table 10 also shows that dry, neat RDX is more easily initiated by impact, friction, and electrostatic discharge than either JA2 or the JAX propellants listed.

There are two implications that can be drawn from these data. First, the recrystallized RDX, when mechanically freed from the JAX, may either remain airborne and diffuse, or be convectively transported, thereby contaminating shipping or storage containers. The precise safety implications have not been quantified, but the data in Table 10 suggest a prudent caution since the loose RDX poses an increased safety hazard. Second, the fact that these safety tests showed no differences between JA2 and JAX (with or without surface RDX<sup>21</sup>) suggests that these tests cannot be used to predict or determine the level of recrystallized RDX present. To make this determination, a time-temperature study of the rate of formation of recrystallized RDX on the JAX propellant surfaces would have to be undertaken, perhaps as a function of the weight percentage of RDX. Once this relationship is determined, the temperature history of the JAX propellants would have to be recorded and evaluated to properly assess the current state of recrystallization. The increased hazard due to the evolution of loose RDX would also have to be determined.

Two considerations raise questions that may be significant, but are currently not resolvable. The first deals with the RDX deposition process at annealing and upper-extreme storage temperatures. The data in Table 8 show that the relationship between the vapor pressure and temperature is Arrhenius in nature. Thus, at elevated temperatures, the vapor pressures will continue to rapidly increase. However, the solubility of RDX in the propellant plasticizers is not known at higher temperatures. If the solubility is significantly larger and works in concert with the higher vapor pressure, the deposition rate will be markedly increased as the temperature rises. The second consideration concerns the deposition rate and is chemical in nature. Our interest has been focused on the role of DEGDN because of: 1) its higher vapor pressure (Table 8) and greater concentration relative to NG; and 2) the greater thermogravimetric weight loss experienced by JA2 relative to M30 (Table 7). Nevertheless, the role that NG plays in the RDX transport process is not clear. In addition, the mixture of DEGDN and NG that forms the JA2 plasticizer may have properties different from the properties of the neat components. Most of the information needed to address these concerns is not known. Two tacit assumptions were used throughout this analysis: 1) dramatic changes in the solubility of RDX with temperature were not considered; and 2) the vapor pressure of the plasticizer mixture would be an interpolation of the neat constituent values. If additional processes or chemical changes were introduced when the plasticizers were mixed, other explanations for these observations become possible. However, the mechanism, as presented, is qualitatively consistent with the information and physical data contained in this report.

In conclusion, the mechanism for the precipitation of RDX discussed in section 4.7 *produces a dynamically changing structure on the surfaces of and within JAX propellants. Since JAXs can undergo morphological changes with time and temperature, and since the standard safety tests are not predictors of the changing state of a JAX propellant, the continued manufacture and use of JAXs as they are currently formulated and processed is not recommended.*

## 6. OPTIONAL STRATEGIES TO RDX ADDITION

### 6.1 Solid Fills.

RDX is not the only energetic solid oxidizer that could be tried in the manufacture of a JAX-like propellant. Table 9 shows that the relative solubility of HMX in neat DEGDN is more than an order of magnitude lower than that of the RDX's solubility. While this is encouraging, this low value is no guarantee that HMX would not show a similar crystallization phenomenon. Recourse must be made to experimentation. Other solid oxidizers could also be tried.

### 6.2 Use of Less Volatile Plasticizer.

The DEGDN could either be replaced with a less volatile plasticizer or an inhibitor could be added to DEGDN to retard its migration. In this last regard, some experimentation with PARAPLEX G59, a viscous, high molecular weight hydrocarbon, has shown some success.<sup>22</sup> Approximately 10 wt% of G59 had been added to a recently manufactured nominal 2R20 JAX. The grains were exposed to testing as described in section 4.5, except that the heating at 75° C was continued for 120 hours. These grains were examined by SEM, as described in section 4.3, and analyzed by FTIR, as described in section 4.4. No crystalline RDX was observed on the exposed outer surfaces.

## 7. SUMMARY

The original goal of this investigation, to determine the mechanism(s) by which the vulnerability response of JAX was so much greater than that of JA2, was not reached. It may be that the raw crystalline RDX observed on the external JAX surfaces contributes to this increased violent response but it is not the only possible mechanism, and in no way has it been demonstrated. For example, the implication that RDX enters into solution in the DEGDN may also provide a mechanism for the increase violent response of the JAXs observed in the vulnerability tests.

During the course of routine investigations on JAX propellant, raw RDX crystals were found deposited on the external surfaces of all JAX grains examined. A mechanism for this deposition was hypothesized and tested, and found to be consistent with all data at hand. Safety implications of the deposition process were pointed out and some general approaches to mitigating or circumventing the RDX crystallization were suggested.

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**APPENDIX A**  
**JAX Propellant Description Sheets**

**Lot Numbers:**

HCL86H003-008	HCL86C006-003	HCL87A010-006
HCL86H003-009	HCL86C006-004	HCL87C010-007
HCL86H003-010	HCL86C006-005	HCL87C010-008
HCL86H003-013		HCL87C010-009
HCL86H003-014	HCL86H008-001	HCL87C010-010
HCL86H003-015	HCL86H008-002	HCL87C010-011
	HCL86H008-003	HCL87C010-012
HCL86C004-001	HCL86H008-004	HCL87C010-013
HCL86C004-002	HCL86H008-005	HCL87C010-014
HCL86C004-003	HCL86H008-006	HCL87B010-015
HCL86C004-004	HCL86H008-007	
HCL86C004-005	HCL86H008-008	RAD-PD-090-1(JA2)
HCL86C004-006		RAD-PD-090-2
HCL86C006-001	HCL87A010-002	RAD-PD-090-3
HCL86C006-002	HCL87A010-004	RAD-PD-090-4
	HCL87A010-005	

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N/A

477 Pounds

## BADFORD ARMY AMMUNITION PLANT, BADFORD, VA.

Honeywell Subcontract 947092

895089; 95091; 95092

EXTRUSION CONTENT	
MAX	11.11
MIN	11.07
Avg	11.10

EXTRUSION TIME	
MAX	65+
MIN	30+
Avg	45

EXTRUSION TEMP	
MAX	100
MIN	90
Avg	95

## MANUFACTURE OF SOLVENTLESS PROPELLANT

INFORMATION		PROCESS-DRYING	TESTS
Max	Min		
Ambient	Ambient	Load Forced Air Dry	
Ambient	110°F	Increase temperature to 110 ± 5°F	
110°F	110°F	Hold at temperature	
110°F	Ambient	Cool down for sampling	

PROPELLANT COMPOSITION	TESTS OF FRESHED PROPELLANT			STABILITY AND PHYSICAL TESTS		
	CONSTITUTION	TEST	TEST	TEST	TEST	TEST
Vinrocellulose	N/A	N/A	50.64	MAX. THER. @ 120°C	CC 60'	CC 60' +
Vinrolycerin	N/A	N/A	11.45	No Fumes	NF 1 hr	NF 1 hr
DEODN	N/A	N/A	19.24	ODOR OF PROPELLANT		
Akardit II	N/A	N/A	0.71	HOF (cal/cm)	N/A	1163
Magnesium Oxide	N/A	N/A	0.05	Abs. Dens. (g/cc)	N/A	1.61
Graphite	N/A	N/A	0.05	Taliani:		
ANV	N/A	N/A	17.78	Slope @ 100-400°C	51.0°/min	.349
ish	N/A	N/A	0.09			
Moisture	0.5	±0.3	0.2			
Merhylene Cl Solubility	N/A	N/A	31.40			

TESTS OF PROPELLANT				TESTS OF PROPELLANT			
TEST	TEST	TEST	TEST	TEST	TEST	TEST	TEST
LOT NUMBER	TEMP. °F	IMPACT	STRAIN	STRENGTH	STRENGTH	STRENGTH	STRENGTH
87	-40	90.97	101.69				
	+90	92.47	103.43				
	+115	96.81	104.25				
STANDARD	S-231	90	100.0%	100.0%	Web Ave	.090	.086
STRENGTH					Inner	.106	.091
					Middle	.093	.078
					Outer	.0655	.090
					100% STRAIN	6.66	6.66
					100% STRAIN	1.03	1.09
					100% STRAIN	31.95	29.18

TYPE OF PACKING CONTAINED Fiber Drum: 652 D

**GRANULES** Candelilla wax is used as a lubricant during extrusion and may be present in the propellant in trace amounts.

2R-20 1/4 part granular

DW# HCL B6 H003 -010

COMPOSITION 2R10, 39 Perf. Hexagonal Granular	DATA NUMBER RCL86H003-013
SPECIFICATION Multics GER 086-323, 5/27/86	NET WT 173 Pounds
RADFORD ARMY AMMUNITION PLANT, RADFORD, VA.	CONTRACT NUMBER Honeywell Subcontract 973525, Task III

ACCEPTED BLEND NUMBERS		WETCELL CONTENT	EU STARCH 100°C	STABILITY (24H, °C)
B95089	B95091; B95092	MAX 13.13 %	MAX	
		MIN 13.07 %	MIN	
		Avg 13.10 %	45+ min	30+ EXPLSION

### MANUFACTURE OF SOLVENTLESS PELLANT

INSTRUMENT NO.	PROCESS-DRYING	TESTS	DAYS	
			1	2

PROPELLANT COMPOSITION	TESTS OF FRESHED PROPELLANT			STABILITY AND PHYSICAL TESTS		
	PERCENT FORMULA	PERCENT LOADING	PERCENT WATER	FORMULA	ACTUAL	
Nitrocellulose	N/A	N/A	55.09	WEAT TEST @ 120°C	CC 40'	CC 60'+
Nitrolycerin	N/A	N/A	12.68	NO Fumes	NF 1 hr	NF 1 hr
DEGDN	N/A	N/A	20.99	FORM OF PROPELLANT		
Akardit II	N/A	N/A	0.61	NOE (cal/g)	N/A	1156
Magnesium Oxide	N/A	N/A	0.06	Abs. Dens. g/cc	N/A	1.60
Graphite	N/A	N/A	0.05	Italiani:		0.353
RDX	N/A	N/A	10.52	Slope @ 100-1000°C	1.0/min	
Ash	N/A	N/A	0.10			
Moisture	N/A	N/A	0.4			
Methylene Cl Solubility	N/A	N/A	34.28			

LOT NUMBER	TEMP. OF CHUCKING	RELATIVE HUMIDITY	TESTS	SPECIFICATION	ONE	RANGED	DATE	
							Inner	Outer
-013	-40	105.45	104.19	DEPTH (in)	N/A	.715	.715	
-013	+90	119.89	105.02	DIA (in)	N/A	.639	.610	
-013	+145	123.47	104.86	PERF. DIA (in)	N/A	.024	.022	
STANDARD	472-138	90	WEAVER	WEAVER	N/A	.088	.084	
Remarks: The 2R10 was in sheet form (7.5" x .125" x .085") fired against the XM829 standard PE 472-138.								
700cc bomb @ 0.10 gm/cc loading density.								
PACED 8/86 SAMPLED 8/86 TEST FINISHED 8/86 DRAFTED 9/11/86 DISCUSSION SHEETS FORWARDED								

TYPE OF PACKING CONTAINER Fiber Drum: 652D

REMARKS: Candelilla wax was used as a lubricant during extrusion and may be present in the propellant in trace amounts.

SIGNATURE OF CONTRACTOR'S REPRESENTATIVE	R. L. SIMMONS, PROGRAM MANAGER
D. W. KIRKPATRICK, <i>D.W. Kirkpatrick</i>	

## PROPELLANT DESCRIPTION SHEET

AR 225-13

CONTRACTOR	2R10, .19 Perf. Hexagonal Granular	ITEM NUMBER	HCL86H003-014
MANUFACTURER	Multics GER 086-323, 5/27/86	PACKED WEIGHT	768 Pounds
2R10 AT	RADFORD ARMY AMMUNITION PLANT, RADFORD, VA.	CONTACT NAME	Honeywell Subcontract 973525, Task III

ACCEPTED BLAST NUMBER	NITROGEN CONTENT	STABILITY (304.5°C)
B95089; B95091; B95092	MAX 13.13	BLAST
	MIN 13.07	BLAST
	AVG 13.10	45+ MIN 30+ MAX

## MANUFACTURE OF SOLVENTLESS PROPELLANT

ITEM NUMBER	PROCESS-DRYING	TEST
BLAST	10	DAYS HOURS

PROPELLANT COMPOSITION	TESTS OF FINISHED PROPELLANT				STABILITY AND PHYSICAL TESTS	
CONSTITUENT	PERCENT	TEST	RESULT	TEST	SD. BULB	ACTUAL
Nitrocellulose	N/A	N/A	55.09	MEAT TEST @ 120°C	CC 40'	CC 60'+
Nitrocellulose	N/A	N/A	12.68	(No Fumes)	NF 1 hr	NF 1 hr.
DEGDN	N/A	N/A	20.99	FORM OF PROPELLANT		
Akardit II	N/A	N/A	0.61	IHOE (cal/gm)	N/A	1156
Magnesium Oxide	N/A	N/A	0.06	Abs. Dens. (g/cc)	N/A	1.60
Graphite	N/A	N/A	0.05	Talianski:		
RDX	N/A	N/A	10.52	Slope @ 100mmHg	1.0mm/min	0.353
Ash	N/A	N/A	0.10			
Moisture	N/A	N/A	0.4			
Methylene Cl Solubility	N/A	N/A	34.28			

TESTED SAMPLE		TESTED SAMPLE		TESTED SAMPLE	
LOT NUMBER	TEMP °F	RELATIVE DENSITY	RELATIVE DENSITY	SD. BULB	ACTUAL
BLAST	-014	105.45	104.10		
	+50	119.80	105.02	BLAST	N/A
	+145	123.47	104.86	BLAST	N/A
				PERF. DIA. 60	N/A
STANDARD	472-138	90	WEIGHT	WEIGHT	WEIGHT
			Web Avg.	N/A	.090
					.085
				Inner	N/A
					.106
				Middle	N/A
					.099
				Outer	N/A
					.0655
				Bob Johnson Prod. Gov. to 5 1/2 with 1/2	N/A
					.04
				LD	N/A
					1.11
				DD	N/A
					27.95

TYPE OF PACKING CONTAINER Fiber Drum: 652D

REMARKS The 2R10 was in sheet form (7.5" x .125" x .085") fired against the XM829 standard, PE 472-138.

700cc bomb @ 0.10 gm/cc loading density.

REMARKS Candelilla wax was used as a lubricant during extrusion and may be present in the propellant in trace amounts. The physical dimensions of this lot are a weight-averaged average of sublots A and B.	PACKED 8/86
	SAMPLED 8/86
	TEST FINISHED 8/86
	OFFERED 9/11/86
	DESCRIPTION SHEETS FORWARDED

SIGNATURE OF CONTRACTOR'S REPRESENTATIVE

D. W. KIRKPATRICK

K. L. SIMMONS

PROGRAM MANAGER

## PROPELLANT INSURANCE SHEET

AP 335-15

COMPOSITION	2R10, 49 Perf. Hexagonal Granular	LOT NUMBER	HCL86H003-015
SPECIFICATION	Multics GER 086-223, 5/27/86	PACED AMOUNT	440 Pounds
TO	RADFORD ARMY AMMUNITION PLANT, RADFORD, VA.	CONTACT NAME	Johnseywell Subcontract 973525, Task III

## NITROCELLULOSE

ACCEPTED BLAND NUMBERS  
B95089, B95091, B95092

MAX	13.13	MIN	MAX	STABILITY (20.5°C)
MIN	13.07	%	MIN	MIN
Avg	13.10	%	45+	30+

## MANUFACTURE OF SOLVENTLESS PROPELLANT

INTEGRATION  
DATE

## PROCESS-DRYING

DATE  
COMPLETION

## PROPELLANT COMPOSITION

## TESTS OF FINISHED PROPELLANT

## STABILITY AND PHYSICAL TESTS

CONSTITUENT	PERCENT	PERCENT	PERCENT	TEST	FORMULA	ACTUAL
Nitrocellulose	N/A	N/A	55.09	STABILITY @ 120°C	CC 60'	CC 60' +
Nitroglycerin	N/A	N/A	12.68	No Fumes	NF 1 hr	NF 1 hr
DEGDN	N/A	N/A	20.99	ODOR OF PROPELLANT		
Akardit II	N/A	N/A	0.61	IHF (cal/cm)	N/A	1156
Magnesium Oxide	N/A	N/A	0.06	Abs. Dens. (g/cc)	N/A	1.60
Graphite	N/A	N/A	0.05	Taliani:		
RDX	N/A	N/A	10.52	Slope @ 100-120°C	1.0/min	0.353
Ash	N/A	N/A	0.10			
Moisture	N/A	N/A	0.4			
Methylene Cl Solubility	N/A	N/A	34.28			

LOT NUMBER	TEMP °F	RELATIVE DENSITY	RELATIVE DENSITY	SPECIFICATION	SIZE	WEIGHT	DATE
-015	-40	1105.45	104.19	N/A	.738	.735	
-015	+90	119.89	105.02	DIAMETER 60	N/A		
-015	+145	123.47	104.86	DIAMETER 60	N/A	.700	.654
				PERF. DIA. 60	N/A	.020	.022
STANDARD	472-138	90	100.00%	100.00%	Web Avg.	N/A	.100
							.089
REMARKS				Inner	N/A	.116	.094
The 2R10 was in sheet form (7.5" x .125" x .085") fired against the XM829 standard, PE 472-138.				Middle	N/A	.108	.083
				Outer	N/A	.077	.091
				WEIGHT PER 1000 gm 1000 gm	N/A WEIGHT 1000 gm	.116	.094
				WEIGHT PER 1000 gm 1000 gm	N/A WEIGHT 1000 gm	4.84	4.84
				WEIGHT PER 1000 gm 1000 gm	N/A WEIGHT 1000 gm	1.05	1.12
				WEIGHT PER 1000 gm 1000 gm	N/A WEIGHT 1000 gm	35	29.44

TYPE OF PACKING CONTAINER Fiber Drum: 652D

## REMARKS

Candelilla wax was used as a lubricant during extrusion and may be present in the propellant in trace amounts.

## SIGNATURE OF CONTRACTOR'S REPRESENTATIVE

D. W. KIRKPATRICK

D. W. Kirkpatrick

R. L. SIMMONS





N/A		65 Pounds	
RADFORD ARMY AMMUNITION PLANT, RADFORD, VA.		SUBCONTRACTOR Honeywell Subcontract 932077	
ROSSA: 95059: 95060		SUBCONTRACTOR Honeywell Subcontract 932077	
MAX	13.15	0	
MIN	13.08	0	
AVG	13.11	0	65+ 30+ EXPLOSION

### MANUFACTURE OF SOLVENTLESS PROPELLANT

MANUFACTURE		PROCESS-DRYING	TESTS
Ambient	Ambient	Load Forced Air Dry	
Ambient	110°F	Increase temperature to 110 ± 5°F	
110°F	110°F	Hold at temperature	4
110°F	Ambient	Cool down for sampling	

PROPELLANT COMPOSITION	TESTS OF FINISHED PROPELLANT			STABILITY AND PHYSICAL TESTS	
	CONSTITUENT	TESTING FORMULA	TESTING FORMULA	TESTING FORMULA	TESTING FORMULA
Nitrocellulose	N/A	N/A	62.70	MAX 100% @ 120°C	CC 60°
Nitroglycerin	N/A	N/A	13.12	No Fumes	NF 1 hr
DEGDN	N/A	N/A	21.16	FORM OF PROPELLANT	
Akardite II	N/A	N/A	0.64	HOE (cal/cm)	N/A
Magnesium Oxide	N/A	N/A	0.03	Abs. Dens. (g/cc)	N/A
Graphite	N/A	N/A	0.05	Taliani:	
TDX (ground)	20	N/A	20.30	Slope @ 100 mm Hg 31.0 mm/min	*
				* pressure did not reach	
Moisture	N/A	N/A		100 mm Hg	
Ash	N/A	N/A	0.10		

TESTS OF FINISHED PROPELLANT					
LOT NUMBER	TEMP °C	TESTING FORMULA	TESTING FORMULA	TESTING FORMULA	TESTING FORMULA
	-40	102.99	104.97	100.00	N/A
	+90	118.06	106.86	100.00	N/A
	+145	121.83	106.92	100.00	N/A
STANDARD	PP-472-138	+90	maxes	maxes	Web 1 N/A
					1.6 .1.6
					Web 2 N/A
					.700 .678
					Web 3 N/A
					.021 .023
					Web 4 N/A
					.113 .092
					Web 5 N/A
					.108 .087
					Web 6 N/A
					.077 .104
					Web 7 N/A
					.099 .094
					Web 8 N/A
					.6.67 .096
					Web 9 N/A
					2.29 2.32
					Web 10 N/A
					33.33 29.75

NOTE OF PACKING CONTAINING Wood Box No. 327043, Barrier Bag No. 327041, Carton No. 327146

REMARKS Candelilla wax is used as a lubricant during extrusion and may be present in the propellant in trace amounts. Propellant composition results are from analysis of carpet rolls.

Signed by

2R-20 19 put stick HCL 80C 00.4-003

Development Engineer  
D.W. Kirkpatrick

*JK*  
D.W. Kirkpatrick

2R-20 7 Port Stack

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BLAUBERG

60 Pounds

**BADFORD ARMY AMMUNITION PLANT, BADFORD, VA.**

Honeywell Subcontract 932071

885058- 85058- 85060

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Price 1.00

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## MANUFACTURE OF SOLVENTLESS PROPELLANTS

DYNAMIC WIND		PROCESS-DRYING		UV	
Ambient	Ambient	Load Forced Air Dry			
Ambient	110°F	Increase temperature to 110 ± 5°F			
110°F	110°F	Hold at temperature			4
110°F	Ambient	Cool down for sampling			

PROPELLANT COMPOSITION	TESTS OF FINISHED PROPELLANT			STABILITY AND PHYSICAL TESTS	
CONSTITUENT	WEIGHT FORMULA	WEIGHT FORMULA	WEIGHT FORMULA	FORMULA	ACTUAL
Nitrocellulose	N/A	N/A	62.70	MEAT TEST @ 120°C	CC 40°
Nitrolycerin	N/A	N/A	13.12	NO FUMES	NF 1 hr
DEGDN	N/A	N/A	23.16	ODOR OF PROPELLANT	
Akardit II	N/A	N/A	0.64	HOF (cal/cm)	N/A
Magnesium Oxide	N/A	N/A	0.03	Abs. Dens. (g/cc)	N/A
Graphite	N/A	N/A	0.05	Taliani:	
RDX (ground)	20	N/A	20.30	Slope @ 100mmHg 1.0m/min	*
				* pressure did not reach	
Moisture	N/A	N/A		100 mm Hg	
Ash	N/A	N/A	0.10		

TYPE OF PACING CONTRACTS Wood Box No. 327043. Barrier Bag No. 327061. Carton No. 327146

**GERAKES** Candelilla wax is used as a lubricant during extrusion and may be present in the propellant in trace amounts. Propellant composition results are from analysis of carpet rolls.

**Signed by**

Development Engine  
D.W. Kirkpatrick

D. W. Goborn Jr.

COMPOSITION 2R-20 7 Perf Stick

REF ID: ECL860004-003

MANUFACTURER N/A

WEIGHT 30 Pounds

BADFORD ARMY AMMUNITION PLANT, BADFORD, VA.

CONTRACT NUMBER

Honeywell Subcontract 932077

TEST ID NUMBER

895058: 95059: 95060

HYDROGEN CONTENT

%

MAX 13.15

MIN 13.08

AVG 13.11

%

45+

%

30+

%

EXPLOSION

%

STABILITY 204.5°C

%

MAX

MIN

AVG

%

30+

%

EXPLOSION

%

## MANUFACTURE OF SOLVENTLESS PROPELLANT

MANUFACTURE			PROCESS-DRYING	TESTS	STABILITY
Step 1	Step 2	Step 3			
Ambient	Ambient	Load Forced Air Dry			
Ambient	110°F	Increase temperature to 110 ± 5°F			
110°F	110°F	Hold at temperature			4
110°F	Ambient	Cool down for sampling			

PROPELLANT COMPOSITION CONSTITUENT	TESTS OF FINISHED PROPELLANT			STABILITY AND PHYSICAL TESTS	
	WEIGHT PERCENT	SOFTENING TEMPERATURE (°C)	ROCKET THRUST (N)	FORMULA	ACTUAL
Nitrocellulose	N/A	N/A	62.70	NOATTEST @ 120°C	CC 60°
Nitroglycerin	N/A	N/A	13.12	No Fumes	NF 1 hr
DEGDN	N/A	N/A	23.16	FORM OF PROPELLANT	
Akardite II	N/A	N/A	0.64	HOE (cm/cm)	N/A
Magnesium Oxide	N/A	N/A	0.03	Abs. Dens. (g/cc)	N/A
Graphite	N/A	N/A	0.05	Taliani:	
RDX (Ground)	20	N/A	20.30	Slope @ 100mmHg 31.0m/min	*
Moisture	N/A	N/A		* pressure did not reach	
Ash	N/A	N/A	0.10	100mmHg	

TEST ID NUMBER	WEIGHT %	SOFTENING TEMPERATURE (°C)	ROCKET THRUST (N)	TESTS OF FINISHED PROPELLANT			STABILITY
				PROPORTION	DE	SWEDED	
08							
-40	102.99	104.97	100.00	N/A	15.0	15.0	
+90	118.06	106.86	100.00	N/A	.430	.422	
+145	121.81	106.92	100.00	N/A	.025	.026	SWED
STANDARD PE-472-13A	+90	100.00	100.00	Webb			
REMARKS	These are the closed bomb results for carpet rolls cut to strips of dimensions 7.5" x 125" x .085". 700 cc bomb with a 0.1 gm/cc loading density.						
Inner	N/A	.093	.086	PACED	7/86		
Outer	N/A	.087	.088	SAMPLED	7/86		
Ave.	N/A	.090	.087	TEST NUMBER	3/86		
DE	N/A	6.90	2.57	SWED			
CD	N/A	34.88	35.54	SECTION WIDTHS			
SW	N/A	17.20	16.23	FORWARDING			

TYPE OF PACKING CONTAINS Wood Box No. 327043, Barrier Bag No. 327041, Carton No. 327146

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Signed by

Development Engineer  
D.W. Kirkpatrick

D.W. Kirkpatrick

MANUFACTURER N/A

RADFORD ARMY AMMUNITION PLANT, RADFORD, VA.

VOLUME TESTED

30 pounds

CONTRACT NUMBER

Honeywell Subcontract 932077

RECEIVED AND RELEASED  
R93050A: 93050: 93060

WATER content

WATER

WATER

WATER

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WATER



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**RADFORD ARMY AMMUNITION PLANT, RADFORD, VA.**

Homewell Subcontract 932077

885058: 95059: 95060

AMMONIUM CONTENT	W/ STARCH (40.5°C)	STABILITY (40.5°C)
MAX <u>13.15</u>	8	8
MIN <u>13.08</u>	8	8
AVG <u>13.11</u>	8	8

## MANUFACTURE OF SOLVENTLESS PROPELLANT

		PROCESS-DRYING
None	None	Load Forced Air Dry
Ambient	Ambient	Increase temperature to 110 + 5°F
110°F	110°F	Hold at temperature
110°F	Ambient	Cool down for sampling

PROPELLANT COMPOSITION	TESTS OF FINISHED PROPELLANT				STABILITY AND PHYSICAL TESTS	
	CONSTITUENT	TEST-100 FORMULA	TEST-100 TESTING	TEST-100 TESTING	TEST-100 TESTING	TEST-100 TESTING
Nitrocellulose	N/A	N/A	62.68	MAX. TEMP @ 120°C	CC 40'	CC 60'+
Nitroglycerin	N/A	N/A	13.48	No Fumes	MF 1 hr	MF 1 hr
DECODN	N/A	N/A	22.08	SOFT OF PROPELLANT		
Akardit II	N/A	N/A	0.72	HOF (cal/cm)	N/A	1161
Magnesium Oxide	N/A	N/A	0.03	Abs. Dens. (g/cc)	N/A	1.62
Graphite	N/A	N/A	0.04	Taliani:		
RDX (class I)	20	N/A	20.92	Slope @ 100-mm-Hg	31.0-mm/min	0.260
Moisture	N/A	N/A	0.10			
Ash	N/A	N/A				

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LOT NUMBER	TEMP °F	INITIAL PRESSURE PSI	INITIAL TEMP °F		SPECIFICATION	ON	REMOVED	
	-40	113.53	105.86	WEIGHT (1)	N/A	2.75	2.67	
	+90	123.05	107.30	WEIGHT (2)	N/A	.200	.675	
	+145	124.88	106.28	WEIGHT (3)	N/A	.021	.022	
STANDARD	PE-472-138	+90	WEIGHT	WEIGHT	Web 1	N/A	.113	102
REMARKS	These are the closed bomb results for carpet rolls cut to strips of dimensions 7.5"x.125"x.085". 700 cc bomb with a 0.1 gm/cc loading density.				Web M	N/A	.108	.090
					Web O	N/A	.077	.093
					Web A	N/A	.099	.095
					Web A2	N/A		4.95
					Web	N/A	3.93	3.96
					Web	N/A	33.33	30.68

TYPE OF PACKAGE CONTAINED Wood Box No. 327043. Barrier Bag No. 327041. Carton No. 327146

**CRAMPS** Candelilla wax is used as a lubricant during extrusion and may be present in the propellant in trace amounts. Propellant composition results are from analysis of carpet rolls.

signed by

2R-20 19 part stick HCL 86C006-002

Development Engineer  
D.W. Kirkpatrick

D. W. Kehoe

Wilson 25-20 19 Perf Stick

MANUFACTURE N/A

WEIGHT TESTED

31 Pounds

RADFORD ARMY AMMUNITION PLANT, RADFORD, VA.

CONTRACT NUMBER Honeywell Subcontract 932077

SECOND AND THIRD  
895058: 95059: 95060

PROPELLANT COMPOSITION	TEST NUMBER	TEST NUMBER	STABILITY (20°C)
	MAX 13.15	8	800
	MIN 13.08	8	800
	Ave 13.11	454	30+

## MANUFACTURE OF SOLVENTLESS PROPELLANT

MANUFACTURE		PROCESS-DRYING	TEST	TEST
Ambient	Ambient	Load Forced Air Dry		
Ambient	110°F	Increase temperature to 110 ± 5°F		
110°F	110°F	Hold at temperature		
110°F	Ambient	Cool down for sampling		

PROPELLANT COMPOSITION	TESTS OF FINISHED PROPELLANT			STABILITY AND PHYSICAL TESTS		
	COMPOSITION	TEST NUMBER	TEST NUMBER	TEST NUMBER	FORMULA	ACTUAL
Nitrocellulose	N/A	N/A	42.68	STABILITY @ 120°C	CC 40%	CC 60%+
Nitroglycerin	N/A	N/A	13.68	NO PURES	NE 1 hr	NE 1 hr
DECODN	N/A	N/A	22.08	FORM OF PROPELLANT		
Alardit II	N/A	N/A	0.77	HOF (cal/cm)	N/A	1161
Magnesium Oxide	N/A	N/A	0.03	Abs. Dens. (g/cc)	N/A	1.62
Graphite	N/A	N/A	0.04	Taliani:		
DDX (class I)	20	N/A	20.92	Slope @ 100mmHg	51.0cm/min	0.260
Moisture	N/A	N/A	0.10			
Ash	N/A	N/A				

PROPELLANT COMPOSITION TESTS							
LOT NUMBER	TEST #	TEST NUMBER					
801	-40	113.35	105.66	UNKNOWN	N/A	1.6	1.6
	+90	123.05	107.30	DIAMETRIC	N/A	700	675
	+145	124.88	106.28	PER. DIA. M	N/A	.021	.022
STANDARD	PE-472-138	+90	106.00	Web I	N/A	.113	.102
REMARKS	These are the closed bomb results for carpet rolls cut to strips of dimensions 7.5"x.125"x.085". 700 cc bomb with a 0.1 gm/cc loading density.						
	Web M	N/A	.108	.090			PACED 3/86
	Web Q	N/A	.077	.093			SAMPLED 3/86
	Web A	N/A	.099	.095			TEST FINISHED 3/86
	Web S	N/A		4.95			SWAGED
	Web B	N/A	2.29	12.37			DESCRIPTION DRAFTS
	Web	N/A	33.33	30.68			FORWARDED

TYPE OF PACKING CONTAINER Wood Box No. 327043, Barrier Bag No. 327041, Carton No. 327146

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Signed by

Development Engineer  
D.W. Kirkpatrick

D.W. Kirkpatrick

COMPOSITION 2R-20 7 part stick

INSPECTOR B/A

PICKUP 30 JUN 1986

ITEM #1 BADFORD ARMY AMMUNITION PLANT, BADFORD, VA.

HONEYWELL CONTRACT 932077

ACCEDED BOMB NUMBERS  
R95058, 95059, 95060

NITROCELLULOSE

HONEYWELL CONTENT

10% NITRO

100.0%

GRANULE TEMP (°C)

MAX 13.15 %

MIN 13.08 %

Ave 13.11 %

STD 4.5%

4.5+

min

30+

min

EXPLSION

sec

## MANUFACTURE OF SOLVENTLESS PROPELLANT

INFORMATION		PROCESS-DRYING	TESTS	STABILITY
Ambient	Ambient	Load Forced Air Dry		
Ambient	110°F	Increase temperature to 110 ± 5°F		
110°F	110°F	Hold at temperature		
110°F	Ambient	Cool down for sampling		

PROPELLANT COMPOSITION	TESTS OF FINISHED PROPELLANT			STABILITY AND PHYSICAL TESTS		
CONSTITUENT	PERCENT	COMPOSITION	TEST	FORMULA	ACTUAL	
Nitrocellulose	N/A	N/A	42.68	IMPACT TEST @ 120°C	CC 40'	CC 60'+
Nitrocellulose	N/A	N/A	13.48	No Fumes	NF 1 hr	NF 1 hr
DEGDN	N/A	N/A	22.08	ROSE OF PROPELLANT		
Akardit II	N/A	N/A	0.77	HOF (cal/cm)	N/A	1161
Magnesium Oxide	N/A	N/A	0.03	ABS. DENS. (g/cc)	N/A	1.62
Graphite	N/A	N/A	0.04	TALIANI:	N/A	
RDX (class I)	20	N/A	20.92	Slope @ 100-mm Hg	31.0 mm/min	0.260
Moisture	N/A	N/A	0.10			
Ash	N/A	N/A				

TESTED BOMBS				PROPELLANT RESULTS (HCB86)			
LOT NUMBER	TEMP °C	TEST	TEST	TEST	TEST	TEST	TEST
N/A	-40	113.55	105.86	IMPACT (N)	N/A	15.0	15.0
	130	123.05	107.30	IMPACT (S)	N/A	.395	.387
	145	124.88	106.28	IMP. (N/A 60)	N/A	.025	.026
STANDARD	PE-472-136	130	100.00	WEHR			
REMARKS	These are the closed bomb results for carpet rolls cut to strips of dimensions 7.5"x.125"x.085". 700 cc bomb with a 0.1 gm/cc loading density.				INNER	N/A	.081
					OUTER	N/A	.082
					AVE.	N/A	.082
					IMP. (N/A 60)	N/A	1.22
					IMP. (N/A 60)	N/A	-1.51
					IMP. (N/A 60)	N/A	37.97
					IMP. (N/A 60)	N/A	38.76
					IMP. (N/A 60)	N/A	15.80
					IMP. (N/A 60)	N/A	14.88

THIS DOCUMENT CONTAINS Wood Box No. 327043, Barrier Bar No. 327041, Carton No. 327146

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Signed by

2R20 7 part stick

HCL 86C006-004 ✓

Development Engineer  
D.W. Kirkpatrick

D.W. Kirkpatrick



ITEM NUMBER	2R-20 19 Perf Stick (JAX)	ITEM NUMBER	NCL86H008-001
MANUFACTURER	N/A	WEIGHT	700 Pounds
SHIP TO	BADFORD ARMY AMMUNITION PLANT, BADFORD, VA.	CONTRACT NUMBER	Honeywell Subcontract 932077
EXPIRATION DATE	12-31-86	EXPIRATION DATE	12-31-86
ACCEPTED BOMB NUMBERS	B95089; 95091; 95092	PERCENT COMPOSITION	STABILITY PERIOD
		BAR 11.11 %	BAR 1000hrs
		MAR 11.07 %	BAR 1000hrs
		AVO 11.10 %	BAR 1000hrs
		65+ min	30+ min
			EXPOSED
MANUFACTURE OF SOLVENTLESS PROPELLANT			

MANUFACTURE		PROCESS-DRYING	TESTS	STABILITY
BAR	1000hrs			
Ambient	Ambient	Load Forced Air Dry		
Ambient	110°F	Increase temperature to 110 ± 5°F		
110°F	110°F	Hold at temperature		
110°F	Ambient	Cool down for sampling		

PROPELLANT COMPOSITION	TESTS OF FINISHED PROPELLANT			STABILITY AND PHYSICAL TESTS	
CONSTITUENT	WEIGHT FORMULA	WEIGHT TOLERANCE	WEIGHT MEASURED	FORMULA	ACTUAL
Nitrocellulose	N/A	N/A	50.64	WEAT: 100% @ 120°C	CC 40'
Nitroglycerin	N/A	N/A	11.45	No Fumes	NF 1 hr
DEGDN	N/A	N/A	19.24	ODOR OF PROPELLANT	
Alardit II	N/A	N/A	0.71	HOF (cal/cm)	N/A
Magnesium Oxide	N/A	N/A	0.05	Abs. Dens. (g/cc)	N/A
Graphite	N/A	N/A	0.05	Taliani:	
RDX	N/A	N/A	17.78	Slope @ 100mmHg	5.0mm/min
Ash	N/A	N/A	0.09		
Moisture	0.5	±0.3	0.2		
Methylene Cl Solubility	N/A	N/A	31.40		

TESTS OF FINISHED PROPELLANT (827)			
LOT NUMBER	TEMP °C	WEIGHT FORMULA	WEIGHT MEASURED
827	-40	90.97	101.69
	+90	92.47	103.43
	+145	96.81	104.25
STANDARD	S-231	90	WEIGHT FORMULA WEIGHT MEASURED WEIGHT FORMULA WEIGHT MEASURED
			WEH Ave.
			N/A .099 .094
			Inner N/A .115 .093
			Middle N/A .106 .081
			Outer N/A .075 .107
			WE N/A 9.57
			WE N/A 11.43 11.71
			WE N/A 30.43 28.21

TYPE OF PACKING CONTAINER: Wood Box No. 327043, Barrier Box No. 327041, Carton No. 327146

REMARKS: Candelilla wax is used as a lubricant during extrusion and may be present in the propellant in trace amounts.

DWK J.W. Johnson 3-24-86  
RJ

N/A

72 Pounds

RADFORD ARMY AMMUNITION PLANT, RADFORD, VA.

CONTRACT NUMBER  
Honeywell Subcontract 932077ACCEPTED BOMB NUMBERS  
895089; 95091; 95092

PERCENT CONTENT	IN RANGE	OUT OF RANGE
MAX 13.13	8	0
MIN 13.07	8	0
AVG 13.10	65+	35+

## MANUFACTURE OF SOLVENTLESS PROPELLANT

MANUFACTURE

## PROCESS-DRYING

Ambient	Ambient	Load Forced Air Dryer
Ambient	110°F	Increase temperature to 110 ± 5°F
110°F	110°F	Hold at temperature
110°F	Ambient	Cool down for sampling

PROPELLANT COMPOSITION	TESTS OF FINISHED PROPELLANT			STABILITY AND PHYSICAL TESTS		
	CONSTITUENT	TEST FORMULA	TESTING RANGE	TESTED	FORMULA	ACTUAL
Nitrocellulose	N/A	N/A	SD .64	NOX TEST @ 120°C	CC 60'	CC 60'+
Nitroglycerin	N/A	N/A	11.45	No Fumes	NF 1 hr	NF 1 hr
DEGDN	N/A	N/A	19.24	NOX OF PROPELLANT		
Akardir II	N/A	N/A	0.71	HOE (cal/cm)	N/A	1163
Magnesium Oxide	N/A	N/A	0.05	Abs. Dens. (g/cc)	N/A	1.61
Graphite	N/A	N/A	0.05	Taliani:		
RDY	N/A	N/A	17.78	Slope @ 100mmHg	1.0 - min	.349
Ash	N/A	N/A	0.09			
Moisture	0.5	±0.3	0.2			
Methylene Cl Solubility	N/A	N/A	31.40			

## TESTS OF BOMBS

LOT NUMBER	TEMP °C	RELATIVE DENSITY	RELATIVE DENSITY	TEST RESULTS		
				SPECIFICATION	MEASURED	DEVIATION
827-287	-40	90.97	101.69			
	+90	92.47	103.43	LOW DENSITY	N/A	2.68
	+145	96.81	104.25	SMARTER D1	N/A	.700
				PER: DIA. 50	N/A	.023
827 STANDARD	90	90.000	100.000	Web Ave	N/A	.099
827-287				Inner	N/A	.115
				Middle	N/A	.106
				Outer	N/A	.075
				PER: DIA. 50	N/A	9.57
				LO	N/A	3.83
				HI	N/A	3.93
				SD	N/A	30.43
						28.21

TYPE OF PACKING CONTAINED Wood Box No. 327043, Barrier Bag No. 327041, Carton No. 327146

REMARKS Candelilla wax is used as a lubricant during extrusion and may be present in the propellant in trace amounts.

DWZ



2R-20 19 Per cent Stick (TAX)

ML86N008-004

DESCRIPTION N/A

WEIGHT 324 Pounds

BADFORD ARMY AMMUNITION PLANT, BADFORD, VA.

Nonexxell Subcontract 932077

EXPIRED BOMB NUMBERS

895089; 95091; 95092

EXPIRED BOMB NUMBERS	STICKAGE CONTENT	STICKAGE PERCENT	STICKAGE PERCENT
	13.13	%	%
	13.07	%	%
	13.10	%	%

## MANUFACTURE OF SOLVENTLESS PROPELLANT

INSTRUMENT	PROCESS-DRYING	TESTS	TESTS
Temp	Load Forced Air Dry		
Ambient	Ambient	Increase temperature to 110 ± 5°F	
110°F	110°F	Hold at temperature	
110°F	Ambient	Cool down for sampling	

PROPELLANT COMPOSITION	TESTS OF FINISHED PROPELLANT			STABILITY AND PHYSICAL TESTS	
CONSTITUENT	TEST FORMULA	TEST FORMULA	TEST FORMULA	FORMULA	ACTUAL
Nitrocellulose	N/A	N/A	50.64	Heat Test @ 120°C	CC 40'
Nitroglycerin	N/A	N/A	11.45	No Fumes	NF 1 hr
DECDN	N/A	N/A	19.24	Color of propellant	
Akardit II	N/A	N/A	0.71	HOE (cal/cm)	N/A
Magnesium Oxide	N/A	N/A	0.05	Abs. Dens. (g/cc)	N/A
Graphite	N/A	N/A	0.05	Taliani:	
RDX	N/A	N/A	17.78	Slope @ 100mmHg	51.0°/min
Ash	N/A	N/A	0.09		
Moisture	0.5	±0.3	0.2		
Methylene Cl Solubility	N/A	N/A	31.40		

## TESTS OF FINISHED PROPELLANT

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[REB308]

TEST NUMBER	TEMP °C	EXPIRED BOMB NUMBER	LOCATION	TEST	TEST	TEST
887	-40	90.97	101.69			
	+90	92.47	103.43	SPONGE TEST	N/A	8.0
	+145	96.81	104.25	DIAMETER DI	N/A	.700
				PERF. DIA. DN	N/A	.054
STANDARD	S-231	90	900.00%	WEIGHT	WEIGHT	.048

## REMARKS

The closed bomb test used 2R-20 in the 827 form fired against the 827 standard. 700 cc bomb. 0.1 gm/cc loading density.

TEST NUMBER	TEMP °C	EXPIRED BOMB NUMBER	LOCATION	TEST	TEST	TEST
				WEIGHT	N/A	.073
				Inner	N/A	.074
				Middle	N/A	.073
				Outer	N/A	.072
				PERF. DIA. DN	N/A	.094
				WEIGHT	N/A	.077
				WEIGHT	N/A	11.43
				WEIGHT	N/A	11.70
				WEIGHT	N/A	12.96
				WEIGHT	N/A	14.25

TYPE OF PACKING CONTAINER Wood Box No. 327043, Barrier Bag No. 327041, Carton No. 327146

REMARKS Candelilla wax is used as a lubricant during extrusion and may be present in the propellant in trace amounts.

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N/A

PACKED WEIGHT

64 Pounds

## BADFORD ARMY AMMUNITION PLANT, BADFORD, VA.

CONTACT PERSON

Hawkinsill Subcontractor 932077

EXCUSED BOMB NUMBERS

895089, 95091, 95092

NITROCELLULOSE

NITROGLYCERIN

DEGDN

AKARDIT II

MAGNESIUM OXIDE

GRAPHITE

ANX

ASH

MOISTURE

METHYLENE CL SOLUBILITY

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ASH

MOISTURE

METHYLENE CL SOLUBILITY

## MANUFACTURE OF SOLVENTLESS PROPELLANT

MANUFACTURE

## PROCESS-DRYING

TESTS

Ambient Ambient Load Forced Air Dry

Ambient 110°F Increase temperature to 110 ± 5°F

110°F 110°F Hold at temperature

110°F Ambient Cool down for sampling

## PROPELLANT COMPOSITION

## TESTS OF FINISHED PROPELLANT

## STABILITY AND PHYSICAL TESTS

CONSTITUENT	PERCENT FORMULA	PERCENT FORMULA	PERCENT FORMULA	TESTS @ 120°C	FORMULA	ACTUAL
Nitrocellulose	N/A	N/A	50.64	NO FUMES @ 120°C	CC 60'	CC 60'+
Nitroglycerin	N/A	N/A	11.65	No Fumes	NF 1 hr	NF 1 hr
DEGDN	N/A	N/A	19.24	NOCA OF PROPELLANT		
Akardit II	N/A	N/A	0.71	HOF (cal/cm)	N/A	1163
Magnesium Oxide	N/A	N/A	0.05	Abs. Dens. (g/cc)	N/A	1.61
Graphite	N/A	N/A	0.05	Taliani:		
ANX	N/A	N/A	17.78	Slope @ 100mmHg	31.0mm/min	.349
Ash	N/A	N/A	0.09			
Moisture	0.5	±0.3	0.2			
Methylene Cl Solubility	N/A	N/A	31.40			

## TESTS @ 120°C

## EXTRUSION TESTS (E-20)

LOT NUMBER	TEMP °C	EXTRUDE	EXTRUDE	EXTRUDE	TEST	TEST	TEST
8R	-40	90.97	101.69				
	+90	92.47	103.43	90.97	N/A	2.68	2.68
	+145	96.81	104.25	90.97	N/A	.700	.684
				90.97	N/A	.054	.048
STANDAR	S-231	90	100.00%	100.00%	Web Ave	N/A	.073
					Inner	N/A	.074
					Middle	N/A	.073
					Outer	N/A	.072
					Web Ave	N/A	
					Inner	N/A	.058
					Middle	N/A	.069
					Outer	N/A	.094
					Web Ave	N/A	
					Inner	N/A	
					Middle	N/A	
					Outer	N/A	
					Web Ave	N/A	
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DESCRIPTION SPECIFICATION MANUFACTURER	2H-2U 7 Perf Granular N/A BADFORD ARMY AMMUNITION PLANT, BADFORD, VA.	NET CONTENT CONTACT NUMBER Honeywell Subcontract 932077
ARMED FORCES NUMBERS B95089; 95091; 95092		NET WEIGHT CONTENT IN STANDARDS PERCENT EXPIRATION
MANUFACTURE OF SOLVENTLESS PROPELLANT		PERIODIC

PROCESS-DRYING			UV	IR
Ambient	Ambient	Load Forced Air Dry		
Ambient	110°F	Increase temperature to 110 ± 5°F		
110°F	110°F	Hold at temperature		4
110°F	Ambient	Cool down for sampling		

PROPELLANT COMPOSITION CONSTITUENT	TESTS OF FINISHED PROPELLANT			STABILITY AND PHYSICAL TESTS		
	PERCENT SOLUBILITY	PERCENT INSOLUBLE	PERCENT SWELLABLE		FORMULA	ACTUAL
Nitrocellulose	N/A	N/A	50.64	WEAT TEST @ 120°C	CC 60'	CC 60'+
Nitroallycerin	N/A	N/A	11.45	NO FUMES	NF 1 hr	NF 1 hr
DEGDN	N/A	N/A	19.24	NOCA OF PROPELLANT		
Akardite II	N/A	N/A	0.71	HOF (cal/cm)	N/A	1163
Magnesium Oxide	N/A	N/A	0.05	Abs. Dens. (g/cc)	N/A	1.61
Graphite	N/A	N/A	0.05	Talianski: .		
RDY	N/A	N/A	17.78	Slope @ 100-400°C	51.0 m/mic	349
Ash	N/A	N/A	0.09			
Moisture	0.5	30.3	0.2			
Methylene Cl Solubility	N/A	N/A	31.40			

TYPE OF PACAGING CONTAINS Fiber Drum: 652 D

**NAME:** Candelilla wax is used as a lubricant during extrusion and may be present in the propellant in trace amounts.



## PROPELLANT DESCRIPTION SHEET

REPORTING PERIOD: 10/00-11/00  
EXEMPT-PARA 7-28  
AS 200-11

COMPOSITION	2R-16 19 Perf Stick	DO NOT NUMBER	HCL87AD10-002
SPECIFICATION	Honeywell Multipac GFR 087-002R	PACKED AMOUNT	105 Pounds
MANUFACTURER	RADFORD ARMY AMMUNITION PLANT, RADFORD, VA.	CONTACT NUMBER	Honeywell Subcontract 932077

NITROCELLULOSE		NITROCELLULOSE	NITROCELLULOSE
B95078	95079	95080	95081
			95082

TEMPERATURE	TIME	MANUFACTURE OF SOLVENTLESS EXPERTIMENT	STABILITY
120	10	Blending	20
210	215	Differential Rolling	-
145	155	Evanspeed Rolling	-
150	160	Extrusion - Carpet Roll	-
145	135	Extrusion - Die	-
110	110	Annealing	240
			-

PROPELLANT COMPOSITION	TESTS OF FINISHED PROPELLANT				STABILITY AND PHYSICAL TESTS		
	CONSTITUENT	PERCENT	PERCENT	PERCENT	TESTS	FORMULA	ACTUAL
NITROCELLULOSE	N/A	N/A	47.63	MEAT	cc 40'	cc 60'	+
NITROGLYCERIN	N/A	N/A	13.10	80 FOMES	NF 1 Hr	NF 1 Hr	
DIETETYLENE GLYCOL DINITRATE	N/A	N/A	22.22				
AKARBIT II	N/A	N/A	0.75				
MAGNESIUM OXIDE	N/A	N/A	0.08				
GRAPHITE	N/A	N/A	0.06	BOE CAL/GR	N/A	1162	9M
BBW (49.5%)	N/A	N/A	16.15				
TOTAL			100.00	ABS DENSITY g/cc	N/A	1.61	
Moisture	N/A	N/A	0.20	Form of Prod.	Cyl	Cyl	
				No. of Perfs	19	19	

CLOSED BOMB			PROPELLANT DIMENSIONS INCHES						IN. DIV. OF MEAS. DIMENSIONS	
LOT NUMBER	TEMP. °F	KG	WEIGHT	PARAMETERS	SPECIFICATION	ONE	FINISHED	SPC	ACTUAL	
TEST	-40	95.32	103.83	LENGTH (L)	N/A	.5.0	.5.0	N/A	N/A	
	+90	107.20	104.83	DIA (D)	N/A	.700	.690	N/A	N/A	
	+145	107.67	104.03	WEF. DIA (D)	N/A	.023	.021			
STANDARD	S-231	+90	100.00	WEF. AVE.	N/A	.099	.097			
				Outer	N/A	.075	.064	PACKED	1/87	
REMARKS	The closed bomb was shot using carpet roll cut into 7.5"x.125"x.09" strips.				Middle	N/A	.108	.086	SAMPLED	1/87
					Inner	N/A	.115	.103	NOT FINISHED	1/87
					Web Diff.	N/A	N/A	7.95	COMBINE	
					L:D	N/A	.1143	.1159	STABILIZATION LIMITS FORWARDED	
					D:d	N/A	.3043	.2821		

TYPE OF PACKING CONTAINER: Carton 327310; Barrier Bag 327041; Wood Box 327311

REMARKS	Candelilla wax is used as a lubricant during extrusion and may be present in the propellant in trace amounts.

SIGNATURE OF Development Engineer  
D. W. Subcontractor

J. K. Leonard 20 FEB 93

# PROPELLANT DESCRIPTION SHEET

REPORTING STANDAR  
EXEMPT PARA 7-28  
0221-11

COMPOSITION	2R-20 19 Perf Stick	LOT NUMBER	RCL87A010-004			
SPECIFICATION	Honeywell Multicore GFR 087-002R	PACKED AMOUNT	672 Pounds			
ACQ BY	RADFORD ARMY AMMUNITION PLANT, RADFORD, VA.		CONTRACT NUMBER	Honeywell Subcontract 932077		
ACCEPTED BY AND NUMBER	NITROCELLULOSE					
B95089; 95091; 95092	NITROCELLULOSE	PERCENT	STARCH	STABILITY (24.8°C)		
	MAX	13.13	45%	10%		
	MIN	13.07	45%	10%		
	AVG	13.10	45%	30+ 10%		
				EXPLOSION N/A		
MANUFACTURE	MANUFACTURE OF SOLVENTLESS PROPELLANT		MINUTE	SECOND		
ITEM	10	Blending	20	-		
210	215	Differential Rolling	-	120		
145	155	Evenspeed Rolling	-	-		
150	160	Extrusion - Carpet Roll	-	-		
145	155	Extrusion - Die	-	-		
110	110	Annealing	240	-		
PROPELLANT COMPOSITION	TESTS OF FINISHED PROPELLANT			STABILITY AND PHYSICAL TESTS		
CONSTITUENT	PERCENT FORMULA	PERCENT TOLERANCE	PERCENT MEASURED	TESTS	FORMULA	ACTUAL
NITROCELLULOSE	N/A	N/A	50.64	MEAT	cc 40'	cc 60'+
NITROGLYCERIN	N/A	N/A	11.45	80 FUMES	NF 1 Hr	NF 1 Hr
DIETHYLENE GLYCOL DINITRATE	N/A	N/A	19.24			
AKARDIT II	N/A	N/A	0.71	ITALIANI	E1.0 g/mm	.349
MAGNESIUM OXIDE	N/A	N/A	0.05		Slope at 100mm	
GRAPHITE	N/A	N/A	0.05	80E cal/gm	N/A	1163
RDX	N/A	N/A	17.78			
TOTAL			100.00	ABS DENSITY g/cc	N/A	1.61
Moisture	N/A	N/A	0.20			
Ash	N/A	N/A	0.09	Form of Prod.	Cyl	C-1
Methylene Cl Solubility	N/A	N/A	31.40	No. of Perfs	19	19
			17.91			
CLOSED BOMBS			PROPELLANT DIMENSIONS INCHES			
LOT NUMBER	TEMP °F	RQ	RELATIVE STRESS	STD. DIA. = % of Mean Dimension		
TEST	-40	90.97	101.69	PARAMETER	SPECIFICATION	STD. DIA.
	+90	92.47	103.43	LENGTH IN	N/A	8.0
	+145	96.81	104.25	DIAMETER IN	N/A	.700
			PERF. DIA. IN	N/A	.023	.021
STANDARD	S-231	+90	100.00	Web Ave.	N/A	.099
REMARKS	The closed bomb test used 2R-20 in the 827 form fired against the 827 standard. 700cc bomb with 0.1 gm/cc loading density.			Outer	N/A	.075
				Middle	N/A	.108
				Inner	N/A	.115
				Web Diff.	N/A	7.95
				L:D	N/A	11.43
				D:d	N/A	.28.2
TYPE OF PACKING CONTAINER	Carton 327310; Barrier Bag 327041; Wood Box 327311					
REMARKS	Candelilla wax is used as a lubricant during extrusion and may be present in the propellant in trace amounts.					
SIGNATURE OF Development Engineer	D. W. Subpart		Program Manager	J. L. Gossard 9 Feb 87		

# PROPELLANT DESCRIPTION SHEET

REPORT CONTROL STAN. EXEMPT PARA 7-2a  
01220-11

COMPOSITION	2R-20 19 Perf Stick	LOT NUMBER	HCL87A010-005
SPECIFICATION	Honeywell Multicore GEM 087-0028	PACKED AMOUNT	672 Pounds
ACQ AT	RADFORD ARMY AMMUNITION PLANT, RADFORD, VA.	CONTRACT NUMBER	Honeywell Subcontract 932077

ACCEPTED BY AND DATED

NITROCELLULOSE

ACCEPTEES SIGNATURES		NITROCELLULOSE	NITROGLYCERIN	EU STARCH	STABILITY (30A.5°C)
B95089; 95091; 95092		MAX 13.13 %	14.5-15	None	None
		MIN 13.07 %	14.5-15	None	None
		AVG 13.10 %	4.5+	None	30+

ITEM	ITEM	MANUFACTURE OF SOLVENTLESS PROPELLANT	MINUTES (SECONDS)
-	-	Blending	20 -
210	215	Differential Rolling	- 140
145	155	Evenspeed Rolling	- -
150	160	Extrusion - Carpet Roll	- -
145	155	Extrusion - Die	- -
110	110	Annealing	240 -

PROPELLANT COMPOSITION	TESTS OF FINISHED PROPELLANT			STABILITY AND PHYSICAL TESTS		
CONSTITUENT	ACTUAL FORMULA	PRECISE TOLERANCE	PERCENT MEASURED	TESTS	FORMULA	ACTUAL
NITROCELLULOSE	N/A	N/A	50.46	MEAT	CC 40'	CC 60'+
NITROGLYCERIN	N/A	N/A	11.45	NO FUMES	NF 1 HR	NF 1 HR
DIETHYLENE GLYCOL DINITRATE	N/A	N/A	19.24			
BEARDIT II	N/A	N/A	0.71	TALIANI	2.0 mg/mm	.349
MAGNESIUM OXIDE	N/A	N/A	0.05		slope 800mm	
GRAPHITE	N/A	N/A	0.05	80E cal/cm	N/A	1163
RDX	N/A	N/A	17.78			
TOTAL			100.00	ABS DENSITY g/cc	N/A	1.61
Moisture	N/A	N/A	0.20			
Ash	N/A	N/A	0.09	Form of Prop.	Cyl	Cyl
Methylene Cl Solubility	N/A	N/A	71.40	No. of Perfs	19	19

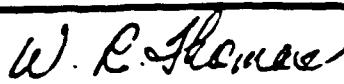
CLOSED BOMB			PROPELLANT DIMENSIONS			INCHES		STD. DEV. in % of Mean Dimensions			
TEST	LOT NUMBER	TEMP °F	RQ	RELATIVE FORCE	PARAMETER	SPECIFICATION	IN	FINISHED	SPC	ACTUAL	
		-40	90.97	101.69	LENGTH (L)	N/A	.8.0	.8.0	N/A	N/A	
		+90	92.47	103.43	DIA (D)	N/A	.700	.686	N/A	.93	
		+145	96.81	104.25	PERF. DIA (W)	N/A	.023	.021			
STANDARD	S-231	+90	100.00	mass	Web Ave.	N/A	.099	.097			
REMARKS					Outer	N/A	.074	.090			
The closed bomb test used 2R-20					Middle	N/A	.10	.100			
in the 827 form fired against the 827					Inner	N/A	.116	.102			
standard. 700cc bomb with 0.1 gm/cc					Web Diff.	N/A		5.34			
loading density.					L:D	N/A	11.43	11.66			
					D:d	N/A	30.43	32.15			
TEST DATES 1/87											
PACKED 1/87											
SAMPLED 1/87											
TEST FINISHED 1/87											
TESTER											
DESCRIPTION SHEETS FORWARDED											

TYPE OF PACKING CONTAINER Carton 327049; Barrier Bag 327202; Wood Box 327068

REMARKS Candelilla wax is used as a lubricant during extrusion and may be present in the propellant in trace amounts.

SIGNATURE OF Development Engineer D. W. Klystern Program Manager J. L. Johnson 9 FEB 87

# PROPELLANT DESCRIPTION SHEET

COMPOSITION	2R-20	7 Perf Stick	DA LOT NUMBER	HCL87A010-006					
SPECIFICATION	Honeywell Multicore GEB 087-029		PACKED AMOUNT	175 Pounds					
LOCATION	RADFORD ARMY AMMUNITION PLANT, RADFORD, VA.		CONTRACT NUMBER	Honeywell Subcontract 932077					
ACCEPTED BY THIS NUMBER		NITROCELLULOSE							
895089; 95091; 95092		NITROGEN CONTENT	EU STARCH	STABILITY (34.5°C)					
		MAX	100% MOLES	100%					
		MIN	100% MOLES	100%					
		Avg	13.10% 45+ MOLES	30+ MOLES					
				EXPLOSION					
TEMPERATURE	MANUFACTURE OF SOLVENTLESS PROPELLANT			MINUTES (DEGREES)					
140	Blending			20					
210	215	Differential Rolling			-				
145	155	Evenspeed Rolling			140				
150	160	Extrusion - Carpet Roll			-				
145	155	Extrusion - Die			-				
110	110	Annealing			240				
PROPELLANT COMPOSITION		TESTS OF FINISHED PROPELLANT		STABILITY AND PHYSICAL TESTS					
CONSTITUENT	PERCENT FORMULA	PERCENT TOLERANCE	PERCENT MEASURED	TESTS	FORMULA				
NITROCELLULOSE	N/A	N/A	50.64	MEAT	cc 40'	cc 60'+			
BITRIGLYCERIN	N/A	N/A	11.45	NO FUMES	NF 1 Br	NF 1 Br			
DIETHYLENE GLYCOL DINITRATE	N/A	N/A	19.24	FORM OF PROPELLANT	Cyl				
AKARBIT II	N/A	N/A	0.71	ITALIANI	E1.0 Br/mm	.349			
MAGNESIUM OXIDE	N/A	N/A	0.05		Slope at 100mm				
GRAPHITE	N/A	N/A	0.05	BBE cal/cm	N/A	1163			
RDX	N/A	N/A	17.78						
TOTAL			100.00	ABS DENSITY g/cc	N/A	1.61			
Moisture	N/A	N/A	0.20						
Ash	N/A	N/A	0.09						
Methylene Cl Solubility	N/A	N/A	31.40						
CLOSED BOMB				PROPELLANT DIMENSIONS (inches)					
LOT NUMBER	TEMP °F	RO	SPECIFIC GRAVITY	PARAMETER	SPECIFICATION	SIZE	FINISHED	SPEC.	ACTUAL
TEST	-40	90.97	101.69	LENGTH (L)	N/A	3.0	3.0	N/A	N/A
	+90	92.47	103.43	DIA (D)	N/A	.395	.386	N/A	1.57
	+145	96.81	104.25	PERF. DIA. (W)	N/A	.025	.026		
STANDARD	S-731	+90	100.00	Web Ave.	N/A	.080	.077		
REMARKS The closed bomb test used 2R-20 in the 827 form fired against the 827 standard. 700cc bomb with 0.1 gm/cc loading density.				Outer	N/A	.081	.081	PACKED	1/87
				Inner	N/A	.080	.073	SAMPLED	1/87
				Web Diff	N/A	N/A	10.44	TEST FINISHED	1/87
				L:D	N/A	20.25	20.72	OFFERED	
				D:d	N/A	15.80	14.70	DESCRIPTION SHEETS FORWARDED	
TYPE OF PACKING CONTAINER Carton 327049; Barrier Bag 327202; Wood Box 327088									
REMARKS Candelilla wax is used as a lubricant during extrusion and may be present in the propellant in trace amounts.									
SIGNATURE OF Development Engineer		 							

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COMPOSITION	2R-20 19 Perf Stick	DATA NUMBER	HCL87C010-007			
SPECIFICATION	Honeywell Multicar GCR D87-029	PACKED AMOUNT	53 Pounds			
SHIP TO	RADFORD ARMY AMMUNITION PLANT, RADFORD, VA.	CONTRACT NUMBER	Honeywell Subcontract 932077			
ACCEPTED BY AND NUMBER	NITROCELLULOSE					
B95089; 95091; 95092	NITROCELLULOSE	STARCH	STABILITY 83.8°C			
	MAX	100.0	ROLL	80%		
	MIN	90.0	ROLL	80%		
	AVG	13.10	ROLL	30+		
			EXPLORATION	NR		
TEMPERATURE	MANUFACTURE OF SOLVENTLESS PROPELLANT					
ITEM	10	20	40			
-	-	Blending	-			
210	215	Differential Rolling	-			
145	155	Evenspeed Rolling	-			
150	160	Extrusion - Carpet Roll	-			
145	155	Extrusion - Die	-			
110	110	Annealing	240			
PROPELLANT COMPOSITION	TESTS OF FINISHED PROPELLANT			STABILITY AND PHYSICAL TESTS		
CONSTITUENT	PERCENT FORMULA	PERCENT TOLERANCE	PROPELLANT MEASURED	TESTS	FORMULA	ACTUAL
NITROCELLULOSE	N/A	N/A	50.64	WEAT	cc 40'	cc 60'+
NITROGLYCERIN	N/A	N/A	11.45	80 FOMES	NF 1 Hr	NF 1 Hr
DIETHYLENE GLYCOL DINITRATE	N/A	N/A	19.24	FORM OF PROPELLANT		Cyl
ACARBIT II	N/A	N/A	0.71	TALIANI	21.8 g/cm	.349
MAGNESIUM OXIDE	N/A	N/A	0.05	BLAST 81180mm		
GRAPHITE	N/A	N/A	0.05	BLAST cal/cm	N/A	1163
RDX	N/A	N/A	17.78			
TOTAL			100.00	ABS DENSITY g/cc	N/A	1.61
Moisture	N/A	N/A	0.20			
Ash	N/A	N/A	0.09			
Methylene Cl Solubility	N/A	N/A	31.40			
CLOSED BOMB			PROPELLANT DIMENSIONS INCHES			
LOT NUMBER	TEMP °F	RO	RELATIVE SPEC			STD DEV. & % OF MEAN DIMENSION
TEST	-40	90.97	101.69	PARAMETER	SPECIFICATION	ACTUAL
	+90	92.47	103.43	LENGTH IN	N/A	.475 .478
	+145	96.81	104.75	DIAMETER IN	N/A	.700 .690
				WEIGHT gm/ml	N/A	.023 .021
STANDARD	S-231	+90	100.00	WEIGHT	N/A	.099 .097
				Outer	N/A	.075 .104
				Middle	N/A	.108 .086
				Inner	N/A	.115 .103
				Web Diff.	N/A	.7.95
				L:D	N/A	6.93
				D:d	N/A	30.43 28.21
REMARKS	The closed bomb test used 2R-20 in the 827 form fired against the 827 standard. 700cc bomb with 0.1 gm/cc loading density.			DESCRIPTION SHEETS FORWARDED		
				PACKED 1/87		
				SAMPLED 1/87		
				TEST FINISHED 1/87		
				OFFERED		

TYPE OF PACKING CONTAINER: Carton 327310; Barrier Bag 327041; Wood Box 327311

**REMARKS** Candelilla wax is used as a lubricant during extrusion and may be present in the propellant in trace amounts.

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COMPOSITION	2R-20 14 Perf Stick	LOT NUMBER	HCL87C010-008				
MANUFACTURE	Honeywell Maric GFR 087-029	PACKED AMOUNT	67 Pounds				
SHIP TO	RADFORD ARMY AMMUNITION PLANT, RADFORD, VA.	CONTACT NUMBER	Honeywell Subcontract 932077				
ACCEPTED BY NUMBER	NITROCELLULOSE						
895089; 95091; 95092	NITROCELLULOSE CONTENT	111 STARCH (165.0°C)	STABILITY (34.0°C)				
	MAX	MAX	MAX				
	MIN	MIN	MIN				
	Avg	43+	30+				
		MIN	MIN				
		MAX	MAX				
TEST NUMBER	MANUFACTURE OF SOLVENTLESS PROPELLANT						
110	Blending	20	-				
210	Differential Rolling	-	140				
145	Evenspeed Rolling	-	-				
150	Extrusion - Carpet Roll	-	-				
145	Extrusion - Die	-	-				
110	Annealing	240	-				
PROPELLANT COMPOSITION		TESTS OF FINISHED PROPELLANT		STABILITY AND PHYSICAL TESTS			
CONSTITUENT	PIGMENT FORMULA	PIGMENT POLYMER	PIGMENT MEASURED	TEST	FORMULA		
NITROCELLULOSE	N/A	N/A	50.64	WEAT	cc 40'	cc 60'+	
NITROGLYCERIN	N/A	N/A	11.45	NO FUMES	NF 1 HR	NF 1 HR	
DIETHYLENE GLYCOL BIBITRATE	N/A	N/A	19.24	FORM OF PROPELLANT	Cyl		
BARBICIT II	N/A	N/A	0.71	ITALIANI	31.8 g/cm	.349	
MAGNESIUM OXIDE	N/A	N/A	0.05		Slope at 100m	-	
GRAPHITE	N/A	N/A	0.05	80E cal/cm	N/A	1163	
RDX	N/A	N/A	17.78				
TOTAL			100.00	ABS DENSITY g/cc	N/A	1.61	
Moisture	N/A	N/A	0.20				
Ash	N/A	N/A	0.09				
Methylene Cl Solubility	N/A	N/A	31.40				
CLOSED BOMB		PROPELLANT DIMENSIONS INCHES					
LOT NUMBER	TEMP °F	R0	RELATIVE DENSITY	INCHES			
TEST	-40	90.97	101.69	PARAMETER	SPECIFICATION	TEST	
	+90	92.67	103.43	LENGTH (L)	N/A	40° DATES	
	+145	96.81	104.25	DIA (D)	N/A	TEST	
			PIR. DIA (D1)	N/A	N/A	1/87	
STANDARD	5-231	+90	100.00	PIR. DIA (D2)	N/A	TEST	
			WEAVE	N/A	0.09	1/87	
REMARKS	The closed bomb test used 2R-20 in the 827 form fired against the 827 standard. 700cc bomb with 0.1 gm/cc loading density.			Outer	N/A	0.75	PACKED 1/87
			Middle	N/A	108	SAMPLED 1/87	
			Inner	N/A	115	TEST FINISHED	
			WEAVE DIFF	N/A	103	1/87	
			L:D	N/A	7.95	OFFERED	
			D:d	N/A	3.86	DESCRIPTION SHEETS FORWARDED	
					3.93		
					28.21		
TYPE OF PACKING CONTAINER		Carton 327310; Barrier Bag 327041; Wood Box 327311					
REMARKS		Candelilla wax is used as a lubricant during extrusion and may be present in the propellant in trace amounts.					

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COMPOSITION	2R-20 19 Perf Stick	LOT NUMBER	HCL87C010-003							
SPECIFICATION	Honeywell Multiple GPR DA7-029	PACKED AMOUNT	54 Pounds							
PROD. BY	RADFORD ARMY AMMUNITION PLANT, RADFORD, VA.									
ACCEPTED BY AND NUMBER		NITROCELLULOSE								
B95089; 95091; 95092		NITROGEN CONTENT	21 STARCH	STABILITY 32.6°C						
		MAX 13.11 %	MAX 55.5°C	MAX 80%						
		MIN 13.07 %	MIN 50°C	MIN 70%						
		Avg 13.10 %	Avg 45°C	Avg 70%						
				EXPLOSION NRS						
MANUFACTURE		MANUFACTURE OF SOLVENTLESS PROPELLANT								
ITEM	TYPE	TESTS	MINUTES	TESTS						
-	-	Blending	20	-						
210	215	Differential Rolling	-	140						
145	155	Evenspeed Rolling	-	-						
150	160	Extrusion - Carpet Roll	-	-						
145	155	Extrusion - Die	-	-						
110	110	Annealing	240	-						
PROPELLANT COMPOSITION		TESTS OF FINISHED PROPELLANT		STABILITY AND PHYSICAL TESTS						
CONSTITUENT	PERCENT FORMULA	PERCENT TOLERANCE	PERCENT MEASURED	TESTS						
NITROCELLULOSE	N/A	N/A	50.64	MEAT						
NITROGLYCERIN	N/A	N/A	11.45	NO FUMES						
DIETETYLENE GLYCOL DINITRATE	N/A	N/A	19.24	FORM OF PROPELLANT						
BARBITURIC ACID	N/A	N/A	0.71	TALIANI						
MAGNESIUM OXIDE	N/A	N/A	0.05	Slope 31.00mm						
GRAPHITE	N/A	N/A	0.05	BOE cal/cm						
RDX	N/A	N/A	17.78	N/A						
TOTAL			100.00	ABS DENSITY g/cc						
Moisture	N/A	N/A	0.20	N/A						
Ash	N/A	N/A	0.09							
Methylene Cl Solubility	N/A	N/A	31.40							
CLOSED BOMB		PROPELLANT DIMENSIONS INCHES								
LOT NUMBER	TEMP °F	RQ	RELATIVE PRESS	SD DEV. % ± Mean Dimension						
TEST	-40	90.97	101.69	SPC ACTUAL						
	+90	92.47	103.43	N/A N/A						
	+145	96.81	104.25	N/A N/A						
STANDARD	S-731	+90	100.00	100.00%	PARAMETER	SPECIFICATION	MEAN	STANDARD	SPC	ACTUAL
					LENGTH (in)	N/A	2.10	2.13	N/A	N/A
					DIA. (in)	N/A	.700	.690	N/A	N/A
					PERF. DIA. (in)	N/A	.021	.021	DATES	
					Web Ave.	N/A	.099	.097	PACKED 1/87	
					Outer	N/A	.075	.104	SAMPLED 1/87	
					Middle	N/A	.108	.086	TEST FINISHED 1/87	
					Inner	N/A	.115	.103	OFFERED	
					Web Diff.	N/A	N/A	.7.95	DESCRIPTION SHEETS FORWARDED	
					L:D	N/A	3.00	3.09		
					D:d	N/A	.30	.28		

2. TYPE OF PACKING CONTAINER Carton 327310; Barrier Bag 327041; Wood Box 327311

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COMPOSITION	2R-2U 19 Perf Stick	DATA NUMBER	HCL87C010-010						
SPECIFICATION	Honeywell Multicar GFR 0A7-029	PACKED AMOUNT	34 Pounds						
MANUFACTURER	RADFORD ARMY AMMUNITION PLANT, RADFORD, VA.								
ACCEPTED BY AND NUMBER	NITROCELLULOSE								
B95089; 95091; 95092	NITROCELLULOSE CONTENT	STARCH	STABILITY 024.8°C						
	MAX 8	MAX 8	MAX 8						
	MIN 8	MIN 8	MIN 8						
	AVG 13.10	65+	30+						
	SD 8	SD 8	SD 8						
TECHNICAL	MANUFACTURE OF SOLVENTLESS PROPELLANT								
ITEM	ITEM	ITEM	ITEM						
-	-	Blending	20						
210	215	Differential Rolling	-						
145	155	Evenspeed Rolling	-						
150	160	Extrusion - Carpet Roll	-						
145	155	Extrusion - Die	-						
110	110	Annealing	240						
PROPELLANT COMPOSITION		TESTS OF FINISHED PROPELLANT		STABILITY AND PHYSICAL TESTS					
CONSTRAINT	PERCENT FORMULA	PERCENT TOLERANCE	PERCENT MEASURED	TESTS	FORMULA	ACTUAL			
NITROCELLULOSE	N/A	N/A	50.64	WEAT	cc 40°	cc 60°+			
NITROGLYCERIN	N/A	N/A	11.45	NO FUMES	NF 1 HR	NF 1 HR			
DIETETHYLENE GLYCOL BIBITRATE	N/A	N/A	19.24	FORM OF PROPELLANT	Cyl				
BAROID II	N/A	N/A	0.71	TALIANI	±1.0 g/cc	.349			
MAGNESIUM OXIDE	N/A	N/A	0.05		±0.05 ±1.00 mm				
GRAPHITE	N/A	N/A	0.05	BOE cal/cm	N/A	1163			
RDX	N/A	N/A	17.78						
TOTAL			100.00	ABS DENSITY g/cc	N/A	1.61			
Moisture	N/A	N/A	0.20						
Ash	N/A	N/A	0.09						
Methylene Cl Solubility	N/A	N/A	31.40						
CLOSED BOMB		PROPELLANT DIMENSIONS INCHES							
LOT NUMBER	TEMP °F	RQ	QUANTITY	TEST	TEST				
TEST	-40	90.97	101.69	PARAMETER	SPECIFICATION	SD	FINISHED	SPEC	ACTUAL
	+90	92.47	103.43	LENGTH (in)	N/A	1.60	1.61	N/A	N/A
	+145	96.81	104.25	DIAMETER (in)	N/A	.700	.690	N/A	N/A
STANDARD	S-231	+90	100.00	PERF. SD. 60	N/A	.023	.021		
REMARKS The closed bomb test used 2R-20 in the 827 form fired against the 827 standard. 700cc bomb with 0.1 gm/cc loading density.									
TEST NUMBER 1787									
OFFERED									
DESCRIPTION ENCLTS FORWARDED									
TYPE OF PACKING CONTAINER Carton 327310; Barrier Bag 327041; Wood Box 327311									
REMARKS									

TYPE OF PACKING CONTAINER: Carton 327310; Barrier Bag 327041; Wood Box 327311

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### Signature of Development Engineer

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# PROPELLANT DESCRIPTION SHEET

COMPOSITION	2R-20 19 Perf Stick	LOT NUMBER	RCL87C010-011
SPECIFICATION	Honeywell Multicor GPR 827-029	PACKEG. AMOUNT	62 Pounds
AVAIL.	RADFORD ARMY AMMUNITION PLANT, RADFORD, VA.	CONTRACT NUMBER	Honeywell Subcontract 932077

ACCEPTED LOT NUMBER		NITROCELLULOSE		
B95089; 95091; 95092		WITROCELLULOSE	STARCH	STABILITY (36.5°C)
		MAX	MAX	MAX
		MIN	MIN	MIN
		AVG	4.54	30+
			MIN	MIN
			EXPIRATION	YES
			ROTATION	12 MONTHS

PROPELLANT COMPOSITION	TESTS OF FINISHED PROPELLANT			STABILITY AND PHYSICAL TESTS	
CONSTITUENT	PROPELLANT FORMULA	PERCENT TOLERANCE	PERCENT MEASURED	TESTS	FORMULA
NITROCELLULOSE	N/A	N/A	50.64	WEAT	cc 40'
NITROGLYCERIN	N/A	N/A	11.45	88 TONES	NF 1 HR
DIETEYLENE GLYCOL DINITRATE	N/A	N/A	19.24	FORM OF PROPELLANT	Cyl
AKARON II	N/A	N/A	0.71	ITALIANI	21.0 DEG/MM .349
MACHESINE OXIDE	N/A	N/A	0.05		STAB 21100MM
SEAPHONITE	N/A	N/A	0.05	BOE cal/cm	N/A 1163
RDX	N/A	N/A	17.78		
TOTAL			100.00	ABS DENSITY g/cc	N/A 1.61
Moisture	N/A	N/A	0.20		
Ash	N/A	N/A	0.09		
Methylene Cl Solubility	N/A	N/A	31.40		

CLOSED BOMB			PROPELLANT DIMENSIONS INCHES		
LOT NUMBER	TEMP °F	RQ	DIAMETER	SPEC	ACTUAL
TEST	-40	90.97	101.69	PARAMETER	SPEC
	+90	92.47	103.43	SPECIFICATION	DIAM.
	+145	96.81	104.25	DIAMETER ID	MIN
			WEIGHT (IN)	.700	.686
			WEIGHT (IN)	.023	.021
STANDARD	S-731	+90	100.00	WEAVE	N/A
				N/A	.099
REMARKS	The closed bomb test used 2R-20 in the 827 form fired against the 827 standard. 700cc bomb with 0.1 gm/cc loading density.				
			Outer	N/A	.074
			Middle	N/A	.107
			Inner	N/A	.116
			WEAVE DIFF	N/A	.102
			L:D	N/A	5.34
			D:d	N/A	6.97
				30.43	32.15

TYPE OF PACKING CONTAINER Carton 327049; Barrier Bag 327202; Wood Box 327088

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SIGNATURE OF Development Engineer

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# PROPELLANT DESCRIPTION SHEET

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COMPOSITION	2R-20 19 Perf Stick	LOT NUMBER	HCTAX010-012			
MANUFACTURER	Honeywell Multicore GFR 827-029	PACKED AMOUNT	60 Pounds			
ADDRESS	RADFORD ARMY AMMUNITION PLANT, RADFORD, VA.					
ACCEPTED BY AND APPROVED		NITROCELLULOSE				
B95089; 95091; 95092		NITROCELLULOSE CONTENT	STARCH	STABILITY 024.8°C		
		MAX 13.13 %	45%	NOIL		
		MID 13.07 %	45%	NOIL		
		AVG 13.10 %	45%	30+ NOIL		
				EXPIRATION 1985		
OPERATION	MANUFACTURE OF SOLVENTLESS PROPELLANT					
ITEM	10	OPERATION	TIME	OPERATOR		
-	-	Blending	20	-		
210	215	Differential Rolling	-	140		
145	155	Even-speed Rolling	-	-		
150	160	Extrusion - Carpet Roll	-	-		
145	155	Extrusion - Die	-	-		
110	110	Annealing	240	-		
PROPELLANT COMPOSITION		TESTS OF FINISHED PROPELLANT		STABILITY AND PHYSICAL TESTS		
CONSTITUENT	PERCENT FORMULA	PERCENT	PERCENT	TESTS	FORMULA	ACTUAL
NITROCELLULOSE	N/A	N/A	50.64	MEAT	cc 40°	cc 60°+
BUTROGLYCERIN	N/A	N/A	11.45	BB FUMES	NF 1 HR	NF 1 HR
DIETHYLENE GLYCOL DINITRATE	N/A	N/A	19.24	FORM OF PROPELLANT	Cyl	
AKARDIT II	N/A	N/A	0.71	TALIANI	≤1.0 g/cm	.349
MAGNESIUM OXIDE	N/A	N/A	0.05		slope 3118mm	
GRAPHITE	N/A	N/A	0.05	BBE CAL/CM	N/A	1163
RDX	N/A	N/A	17.78			
TOTAL			100.00	ABS DENSITY g/cc	N/A	1.61
Moisture	N/A	N/A	0.20			
Ash	N/A	N/A	0.09			
Methylene Cl Solubility	N/A	N/A	31.40			
CLOSED BOMB		PROPELLANT DIMENSIONS (inches)				
LOT NUMBER	TEMP °F	RO	RELATIVE DENSITY	3rd DIV. in X 1st Div. in Y		
TEST	-40	90.97	101.69	PARAMETER	SPECIFICATION	ONE
	+90	92.47	103.43	LENGTH (in)	N/A	FINISHED
	+145	96.81	104.25	DIAMETER (in)	N/A	SPC.
			PERF. DIA. (in)	N/A	ACTUAL	
STANDARD	5-231	+90	100.00	.023	.021	DATES
			Web Ave.	N/A	.099	
			Outer	N/A	.074	PACKED 1/87
			Middle	N/A	.107	SAMPLED 1/87
			Inner	N/A	.116	TEST NUMBER 1/87
			Web Diff.	N/A	N/A	OPENED
			L:D	N/A	3.86	DESCRIPTION SHEETS
			D:d	N/A	32.15	FORWARDED
TYPE OF PACKING CONTAINER Carton 327049; Barrier Bag 327202; Wood Box 327088						
REMARKS Candelilla wax is used as a lubricant during extrusion and may be present in the propellant in trace amounts.						
SIGNATURE OF Development Engineer						
D. W. Subbarao						
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## PROPELLANT DESCRIPTION SHEET

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COMPOSITION	2R-20 19 Perf Stick	LOT NUMBER	RCL87C910-013		
SPECIFICATION	Honeywell Multicar GFA 887-029	PACKED AMOUNT	58 Pounds		
CONTRACT NUMBER	RADFORD ARMY AMMUNITION PLANT, RADFORD, VA. Honeywell Subcontract 932077				
ACCEPTED BOMB NUMBERS	NITROCELLULOSE				
B95089; 95091; 95092		NITROGEN CONTENT	STABILITY 234.8 °C		
		MAX 8	100.0% 100%		
		MIN 8	100% 100%		
		AVG 13.10	30+ 100%		
		TEST	EXPLORATION		
		20	-		
- - -		20	-		
210	215	Differential Rolling	- 140		
145	155	Evenspeed Rolling	- -		
150	160	Extrusion - Carpet Roll	- -		
145	155	Extrusion - Die	- -		
110	110	Annealing	240 -		
PROPELLANT COMPOSITION		TESTS OF FINISHED PROPELLANT		STABILITY AND PHYSICAL TESTS	
CONSTITUENT	PERCENT FORMULA	PERCENT TOLERANCE	PERCENT MAXIMUM	TESTS	FORMULA ACTUAL
NITROCELLULOSE	N/A	N/A	50.64	MEAT	CC 40' CC 60'+
NITROGLYCERIN	N/A	N/A	11.43	NO FUMES	NF 1 HR NF 1 HR
DIETETYLENE GLYCOL BISACRYLATE	N/A	N/A	19.24	FORM OF PROPELLANT	Cyl
BARBITE II	N/A	N/A	0.71	ITALIANI	31.0 Dg/mm .349
MAGNESIUM OXIDE	N/A	N/A	0.05		1000 2110000
GRAPHITE	N/A	N/A	0.05	800 CAL/GR	N/A 1163
RDX	N/A	N/A	17.78		
TOTAL			100.00	ABS DENSITY g/cc	N/A 1.61
Moisture	N/A	N/A	0.20		
Ash	N/A	N/A	0.09		
Methylene Cl Solubility	N/A	N/A	31.40		
CLOSED BOMB		PROPELLANT DIMENSIONS (INCHES)			
LOT NUMBER	TEMP °F	RQ	RELATIVE DENSITY	IN. DIV. % of Mean Dimensions	
100	-40	90.97	101.69	PARAMETER	SPECIFICATION
	+90	92.47	103.43	LENGTH (IN)	MAX
	+145	96.81	104.25	DIAMETER (IN)	.700
STANDARD	C-231	+90	100.00	PER. dia. (IN)	.023
REMARKS The closed bomb test used 2R-20 in the 827 form fired against the 827 standard. 700cc bomb with 0.1 gm/cc loading density.				Web Ave.	.099
				Outer	.074
				Middle	.107
				Inner	.116
				Web Diff.	.102
				L:D	5.34
				D:d	3.00
					32.15
TYPE OF PACKING CONTAINER Carton 327049 ; Barrier Bag 327202 ; Wood Box 327088					
REMARKS Candelilla wax is used as a lubricant during extrusion and may be present in the propellant in trace amounts.					
SIGNATURE OF Development Engineer					
D W Shobern					
W R Henness					

PROPELLANT DESCRIPTION SHEET

COMPOSITION	2R-20 19 Perf Stick	DATA NUMBER	NCST 010-014			
MANUFACTURER	Honeywell Mullica GFR 087-029	PACKED AMOUNT	25 Pounds			
CONTRACT	RADFORD ARMY AMMUNITION PLANT, RADFORD, VA.	CONTRACT NUMBER	Honeywell Subcontract 932077			
ACCEPTED BY THIS NUMBER	NITROCELLULOSE					
B95089; 95091; 95092		NITROGEN CONTENT	STABILITY 234.5°C			
		MAX 13.13 %	STARCH 40.0°C			
		MIN 13.07 %	STARCH 60.0°C			
		AVG 13.10 %	STARCH 80.0°C			
		6.5%	30+ MOLE			
			EXPLSION N/A			
MANUFACTURE	MANUFACTURE OF SOLVENTLESS PROPELLANT					
ITEM	Blending	20	-			
210	Differential Rolling	-	140			
145	Evenspeed Rolling	-	-			
150	Extrusion - Carpet Roll	-	-			
145	Extrusion - Die	-	-			
110	Annealing	240	-			
PROPELLANT COMPOSITION		TESTS OF FINISHED PROPELLANT		STABILITY AND PHYSICAL TESTS		
CONSTITUENT	PROPELLANT FORMULA	PERCENT TOLERANCE	PERCENT ALLOWED	TESTS	FORMULA	
NITROCELLULOSE	N/A	N/A	50.64	MEAT	cc 40'	cc 60'+
NITROGLYCERIN	N/A	N/A	11.45	80 FUMES	NF 1 HR	NF 1 HR
DIETHYLENE GLYCOL DINITRATE	N/A	N/A	19.24	POW OF PROPELLANT	Cyl	
ACARBIT II	N/A	N/A	0.71	ITALIANI	E.0 g/cm	.349
MAGNESIUM OXIDE	N/A	N/A	0.05		Slope at 100mm	-
GRAPHITE	N/A	N/A	0.05	80E cal/cm	N/A	1163
RDX	N/A	N/A	17.78			
TOTAL			100.00	ABS DENSITY g/cc	N/A	1.61
Moisture	N/A	N/A	0.20			
Ash	N/A	N/A	0.09			
Methylene Cl Solubility	N/A	N/A	31.40			
CLOSED BOMB		PROPELLANT DIMENSIONS (INCHES)				
LOT NUMBER	TEMP °F	RO	RELATIVE DENSITY	IN. O.D. = 2.000 ± .0005 INCHES		
TEST	-40	90.97	101.69	PARAMETER	SPECIFICATION	ACTUAL
	+90	92.67	103.43	LENGTH IN	N/A	.1.60 .1.61 N/A N/A
	+145	96.81	104.25	DIAMETER O.D.	N/A	.700 .686 N/A .93
				PERF. DIA. IN	N/A	.023 .021
STANDARD	S-731	+90	100.00	Web Ave.	N/A	.099 .097
REMARKS The closed bomb test used 2R-20 in the 827 form fired against the 827 standard. 700cc bomb with 0.1 gm/cc loading density.				Outer	N/A	.074 .090
				Middle	N/A	.107 .100
				Inner	N/A	.116 .102
				Web Diff.	N/A	N/A 5.34
				L:D	N/A	2.29 2.35
				D:d	N/A	30.43 32.75
TYPE OF PACKING CONTAINER Carton 327049; Barrier Bag 327202; Wood Box 327088						
REMARKS Candelilla wax is used as a lubricant during extrusion and may be present in the propellant in trace amounts.						

SIGNATURE OF Development Engineer

D W Shulzat

A. L. Shulzat

## PROPELLANT INSURANCE SHEET

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COMPOSITION	2R-20 Carpet Roll	LOT NUMBER	HCL87B010-015			
SPECIFICATION	Honeywell Multiple GFR 047-029	PACKED AMOUNT	55 Pounds			
MADE AT	RADFORD ARMY AMMUNITION PLANT, RADFORD, VA.					
ACCEPTED BY AND NUMBER		NITROCELLULOSE				
B95088, 95059, 95060		NITROGEN CONTENT	STARCH	STABILITY (24 HRS)		
		MAX	MAX	MAX		
		MIN	MIN	MIN		
		AVG	45+	30+		
			MIN	MIN		
			EXPIRATION	MIN		
MANUFACTURE		MANUFACTURE OF SOLVENTLESS PROPELLANT				
ITEM	10			MINUTE (1000)		
-	-	Blending		20		
210	215	Differential Rolling		-		
145	155	Evenspeed Rolling		-		
-	-	Extrusion - Carpet Roll		-		
-	-	Extrusion - Die		-		
-	-	Annealing		-		
PROPELLANT COMPOSITION	TESTS OF FINISHED PROPELLANT			STABILITY AND PHYSICAL TESTS		
CONSTITUENT	PERCENT BY WEIGHT	PERCENT BY WEIGHT	PERCENT MEASURED	TESTS	FORMULA	ACTUAL
NITROCELLULOSE	N/A	N/A	42.70	MEAT	CC 40'	CC 60'+
NITROGLYCERIN	N/A	N/A	13.12	NO FUMES	NF 1 HR	NF 1 HR
DIETHYLENE GLYCOL BIBITRATE	N/A	N/A	23.16			
AKARBIT II	N/A	N/A	0.64	ITALIANI	21.0 g/cm	
MAGNESIUM OXIDE	N/A	N/A	0.03		blow at 100mm	*
GRAPHITE	N/A	N/A	0.05	808 cal/cm	N/A	1166
RDX	N/A	N/A	20.30			
TOTAL			100.00	ABS DENSITY g/cc	N/A	1.62
Moisture	N/A	N/A		Form of Prop.		Carpet Roll
Ash	N/A	N/A	0.10			
*Did not reach 100 mm						
CLOSED BOMB		PROPELLANT DIMENSIONS INCHES				
LOT NUMBER	TEMP °F	RQ	RELATIVE DENSITY	100 DIA. in % of Max D. measured		
TEST	-40	102.99	104.97	PARAMETER	SPECIFICATION	SPC
	+90	118.06	106.86	LENGTH (IN)	N/A	N/A
	+145	121.83	106.97	DIA. (IN)	N/A	N/A
STANDARD	PE-472-138	+90	100.00	PERF. DIA. (IN)	N/A	N/A
						DATES
REMARKS Closed bomb was shot using carpet roll cut into strips (7.5"x.125"x .090") fired against the 829 standard 700 cc bomb using a 0.1 gm/cc loading density.						PACKED
						SAMPLED
						TEST FINISHED
						OUTLIED
						DESCRIPTION SHEETS FORWARDED
TYPE OF PACKING CONTAINER		Lever Pack Can				
REMARKS		Candelilla wax is used as a lubricant during extrusion and may be present in the propellant in trace amounts.				
Signature of Development Engineer D. W. Kirkpatrick						<i>W.R. Kenner</i>

## **PROPELLANT DESCRIPTION SHEET**

REPORTS CONTROL SYSTEM  
EXEMPT PARA 7-2a  
AR 335-5

COMPOSITION: PROPELLANT 3A-2 19-PERF HEX GRANULAR

SPECIFICATION: DOD-P-64935B; ORDER RELEASE NO: 235-92, 7/7/92

MANUFACTURED - RADFORD ARMY AMMUNITION PLANT, RADFORD, VIRGINIA 24141

INTERVIEW WITH V. GUY SMITH

## INTRODUCTION

ACCEPTED BLEND NUMBERS	NITROGEN CONTENT	KI STARCH (65.5%)	STABILITY (34.5%)
BB 95539, BB 95540, BB 95541	MAX 13.17	45+ MINS	30+ MINS
	MIN 13.06	45+ MINS	30+ MINS
	AVG 13.13	45+ MINS	30+ MINS
			EXPLOSION HRS

## MANUFACTURE OF SOLVENTLESS PROPELLANT

TEMPERATURE, °F		PROCESS - DRYING	TIME	
FROM	TO		DAYS	HOURS
145	155	CARPET ROLL AT EXTRUSION		
160	170	EXTRUSION DIE		
105	115	ANNEAL		6

## TEST OF FUEL BOUND PROPELLANT

PROPELLANT COMPOSITION				STABILITY AND PHYSICAL TESTS		
Constituent	Percent Formula	Percent Tolerance	Percent Measured	Tests	Formula	Actual
Nitrocellulose	59.50	± 2.00	58.89	Heat test @ 120°C	NCC 60°	CC 60°
Nitroglycerin	14.90	± 1.00	15.54	No fumes	NF 60°	NF 60°
Diethylene glycol dinitrate	24.80	± 1.50	24.78			
Akerdit II	0.70	± 0.20	0.71			
Magnesium oxide	0.05	- 0.02	0.03	HOE (cal/g)	1120 Nom.	1115
Graphite	0.05	- 0.02	0.05	Absolute density, g/cc	1.56 min	1.56
Total	100.00		100.00			
Moisture content	0.5	± 0.3	0.3	Form	hexagonal	hexagonal
Ash content	0.3	MAX	0.1	Number of perfs	19	19
Methylene chloride solubles	40.4	± 3.0	41.4			

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Lot Number	Temp °F	Relative Quickness	Relative Force	Uniformity by Std Deviation						
				SPEC	DIE	FINISHED	SPEC			
PD-090-1	+90	82.7	99.9	LENGTH (in.)	0.75 NOM	---	0.736			
				O.D. (in.)	0.789 NOM	0.834	0.811			
				PERF (in.)	0.027 NOM	0.026	0.026			
STD-71136		100.00	100.00	WEB (avg)	0.109 NOM	---	0.113			
				WEB (inner)	INFO	---	0.120			
REMARKS: FIRED IN A 700 CC BOMB AT 0.20 G/CC LOADING DENSITY				WEB (middle)	INFO	---	0.111			
				WEB (outer)	INFO	---	0.106			
				L/D	INFO	---	0.908			
				D/d	INFO	---	30.69			
				WEB (diff %)	15 MAX	---	4.04			
							DESCRIPTION SHEETS FORWARDED			

REMARKS: FIRED IN A 700 CC BOMB AT 0.20 G/CC LOADING  
DENSITY

TYPE OF PACKING CONTAINER: DOT 21-C FIBER DRUM

REMARKS: THIS DRUM CONTAINED NET PROPELLANT WEIGHT OF 75.5 POUNDS

THIS LOT MEETS SPECIFICATION REQUIREMENTS

**SIGNATURE OF CONTRACTOR'S REPRESENTATIVE**

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## PROPELLANT DESCRIPTION SHEET

REPORTS CONTROL SYSTEM  
EXEMPT PARA 7-26  
AP 115-11

COMPOSITION: PROPELLANT 100% PERF HEX GRANULAR

LOT NUMBER: BAE-PE-022-6

SPECIFICATION: DCC-P-64C35B: GRC/EP RELEASE NO. 235-92, 7-7-92

PACKED AMOUNT: 92.5 POUNDS

MANUFACTURED: RADFORD ARMY AMMUNITION PLANT, RADFORD, VIRGINIA 24130

CONTRACT NUMBER: DAAA39-91-2-0001

### **METHODS & MATERIALS**

ACCEPTED BLEND NUMBERS	NITROGEN CONTENT	KI STARCH 65.5°C	STABILITY (134.5°C)
BB 95539, BB95540, BB95541	MAX <u>13.17%</u>	<u>45+</u> MINS	<u>30+</u> MINS
	MIN <u>13.06</u>	<u>45+</u> MINS	<u>30</u> MINS
	AVG <u>13.13</u>	<u>45+</u> MINS	<u>30+</u> MINS
			EXPLOSION HRS

## MANUFACTURE OF POLYVINYLLIC PROPYLENE

TEMPERATURE, °F		PROCESS - DRYING	TIME	
FROM	TO		DAYS	HOURS
145	155	CARPET ROLL AT EXTRUSION		
160	170	EXTRUSION DIE		
105	115	ANNEAL		6

## TYPE OF PRE-SPIN FIBER-LAYER

PROPELLANT COMPOSITION				STABILITY AND PHYSICAL TESTS		
Constituent	Percent Formula	Percent Tolerance	Percent Measured	Tests	Formula	Actual
Nitrocellulose	55.33	NOM.	55.73	Heat test @ 120°C	NCC 60'	CC 60'+
Nitroglycerin	13.86	NOM.	14.25	No fumes	NF 60'	NF 60'
Diethylene glycol dinitrate	23.06	NOM.	22.72			
RDX	7.00	NOM.	6.42			
Akardit II	0.65	NOM.	0.74	HOE (cal/g)	Info	1131
Magnesium oxide	0.05	NOM.	0.06	Absolute density, g/cc	Info	1.59
Graphite	0.05	NOM.	0.08			
Total	100.00		100.00	Form	hexagonal	hexagonal
Ash content	0.3	NOM	0.1	Number of perfs	19	19
Methylene chloride solubles	40.4	NOM	42.2			
Moisture content	0.5	NOM	0.3			

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Lot Number	Temp °F	Relative Quickness	Relative Force	Performance by Test Deviations				Performance by Test Deviations	
				TEST	SPEC	DEF	FINISHED	SPEC	ACTUAL
RAD-PD-090-2	+90	81.6	101.1	LENGTH (in.)	0.75 NOM	---	0.746	---	4.42
				O.D. (in.)	0.789 NOM	0.834	0.809	---	0.63
				PERF (in.)	0.027 NOM	0.026	0.026	---	---
STD-71136		100.00	100.00	WEB (avg)	0.109 NOM	---	0.114	---	Dates
				WEB (inner)	INFO	---	0.123	PACKED	11-92
REMARKS: FIRED IN A 700 CC BOMB AT 0.20 G/CC LOADING DENSITY				WEB (middle)	INFO	---	0.111	SAMPLED	11-92
				WEB (outer)	INFO	---	0.108	TEST FINISHED	12-9
				L/D	INFO	---	0.921	OFFERED	1-93
				D/d	INFO	---	30.94	DESCRIPTION SHEETS FORWARDED	
				WEB (diff %)	INFO	---	5.08		

TYPE OF PACKING CONTAINER: DOT 21-C FIBER DRUM

REMARKS: THIS DRUM CONTAINED NET PROPELLANT WEIGHT OF 92.5 POUNDS

THIS LOT MEETS SPECIFICATION REQUIREMENTS

**SIGNATURE OF CONTRACTOR'S REPRESENTATIVE**

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# PROPELLANT DESCRIPTION SHEET

REPORTS CONTROL SYSTEM  
EXEMPT PARA 7-18  
AP 305-15

COMPOSITION: PROPELLANT JAX-1 19-PERF HEX GRANULAR

LOT NUMBER: RAD-PD-090-3

SPECIFICATION: DCE-P-64C35B: ORDER RELEASE NO. 235-91 7/7/92

PACKED AMOUNT: 100 pounds

MANUFACTURED: RADCORP ARMY AMMUNITION PLANT, RADFORD, VIRGINIA 24141

CONTRACT NUMBER: DAAC09-91-2-0001

## NITROCELLULOSE

ACCEPTED BLEND NUMBERS	NITROGEN CONTENT	KI STARCH	STABILITY
BB 95539, BB 95540, BB 95541	MAX 13.17%	45+ MINS	30+ MINS
	MIN 13.06	45+ MINS	30 MINS
	Avg 13.13	45+ MINS	30+ MINS
			EXPLOSION HRS

## MANUFACTURE OF SOLVENTLESS PROPELLANT

TEMPERATURE, °F	PROCESS - DRYING	TIME		
FROM	TO		DAYS	HOURS
145	155	CARPET ROLL AT EXTRUSION		
160	170	EXTRUSION DIE		
105	115	ANNEAL		

## TEST OF FINISHED PROPELLANT

PROPELLANT COMPOSITION				STABILITY AND PHYSICAL TESTS		
Constituent	Percent Formula	Percent Tolerance	Percent Measured	Tests	Formula	Actual
Nitrocellulose	51.77	NOM.	54.48	Heat test @ 120°C	NCC 60°	CC 60°
Nitroglycerin	12.96	NOM.	12.59	No fumes	NF 60°	NF 60°
Diethylene glycol dinitrate	21.58	NOM.	20.07			
RDX	13.00	NOM.	12.10			
Akardit II	0.61	NOM.	0.68	HOE (cal/g)	Info	1144
Magnesium oxide	0.04	NOM.	0.05	Absolute density, g/cc	Info	1.59
Graphite	0.04	NOM.	0.03			
Total	100.00		100.00	Form	hexagonal	hexagonal
Ash content	0.3	NOM	0.1	Number of perfs	19	19
Methylene chloride solubles	40.4	NOM	44.3			
Moisture content	0.5	NOM	0.2			

## CLOSED BOMB

				PROPELLANT DIMENSIONS (INCHES)				Uniformity by Std Deviation, %	
Lot Number	Temp °F	Relative Quickness	Relative Force	SPEC	DIE	FINISHED	SPEC	ACTUAL	
RAD-PD-090-3	+90	81.1	101.7	LENGTH (in.)	0.75 NOM	---	0.760	---	1.90
				Q.C. (in.)	0.789 NOM	0.834	0.810	---	0.70
				PERF (in.)	0.027 NOM	0.026	0.027		
STD-71136		100.00	100.00	WEB (avg.)	0.109 NOM	---	0.114		Dates
				WEB (inner)	INFO	---	0.114		PACKED 11-91
REMARKS: FIRED IN A 700 CC BOMB AT 0.26 G/CC LOADING DENSITY				WEB (middle)	INFO	---	0.108		SAMPLED 11-91
				WEB (outer)	INFO	---	0.112		TEST FINISHED 11-91
				L/D	INFO	---	0.938		OFFERED 1-92
				D/d	INFO	---	30.16		DESCRIPTION SHEETS FORWARDED
				WEB (diff %)	INFO	---	3.12		

TYPE OF PACKING CONTAINER: DCT 21-C FIBER DRUM

REMARKS: THIS DRUM CONTAINED NET PROPELLANT WEIGHT OF 100 POUNDS

THIS LOT MEETS SPECIFICATION REQUIREMENTS

SIGNATURE OF CONTRACTOR'S REPRESENTATIVE

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## PROPELLANT DESCRIPTION SHEET

REPORTS CONTROL SYSTEM  
EXEMPT PARA 7(a)  
AR 335-13

COMPOSITION: PROPELLANT JAX-2 19-PERF HEX GRANULAR

LOT NUMBER: RAC-PC-090-4

SPECIFICATION: DOD-P-5403/8; DODGER RELEASE NO. 335-95, 7/7/32

PACKED AMOUNT: 100 POUNDS

MANUFACTURED: RADFORD ARMY AMMUNITION PLANT, RADFORD, VIRGINIA 24130

ENTRANCE NUMBER: 00000000000000000000000000000000

#### **NITROCELLULOSE**

ACCEPTED BLEND NUMBERS	NITROGEN CONTENT	KI STARCH 65.5%	STABILITY 1134.5°C
BB 95539, BB 95540, BB 95541	MAX <u>12.17%</u>	<u>45+</u> MINS	<u>30+</u> MINS
	MIN <u>11.95%</u>	<u>45+</u> MINS	<u>30</u> MINS
	AVG <u>12.13</u>	<u>45+</u> MINS	<u>30+</u> MINS

## MANUFACTURE OF POLYVINYLLIC PROPYLENE

TEMPERATURE. °F		PROCESS - DRYING	TIME	
FROM	TO		DAYS	HOURS
145	155	CARPET ROLL AT EXTRUSION		
160	170	EXTRUSION DIE		
105	115	ANNEAL		6

## TEST OF ENLARGED PROSTATE

PROPELLANT COMPOSITION				STABILITY AND PHYSICAL TESTS		
Constituent	Percent Formula	Percent Tolerance	Percent Measured	Tests	Formula	Actual
Nitrocellulose	48.38	NOM.	46.65	heat test @ 1200°C	NCC 60°	CC 60°
Nitroglycerin	12.11	NOM.	13.54	No fumes	NF 60°	NF 60°
Diethylene glycol dinitrate	20.16	NOM.	21.60			
RDX	16.70	NOM.	17.42			
Akardit II	0.57	NOM.	0.71	HOE (cal/g)	Info	1156
Magnesium oxide	0.04	NOM.	0.03	Absolute density, g/cc	Info	1.60
Graphite	0.04	NOM.	0.05			
Total	100.00		100.00	Form	hexagonal	hexagonal
Ash content	0.3	NOM	0.1	Number of perfs	19	19
Methylene chloride solubles	40.4	NOM	46.7			
Moisture content	0.5	NOM	0.2			

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### **FIRE-ELLIPTIC REGULARIZATION (T-SING)**

Lot Number	Temp °F	Relative Quickness	Relative Force	Uniformity				Uniformity by Std Deviation. %	
				---	SPEC	SIZE	FINISHED	SPEC	ACTUAL
RAD-PD-C90-4	+90	79.8	103.1	---	LENGTH (in.)	0.75 NOM	---	0.762	---
				---	C.D. (in.)	0.789 NOM	0.834	0.818	---
				---	PERF (in.)	0.027 NOM	0.026	0.027	0.54
STD-71136		100.00	100.00	WEB (avg.)	0.109 NOM	---	0.115	Dates	
				WEB (inner)	INFO	---	0.110	PACKED 11-92	
REMARKS: FIRED IN A 700 CC BOMB AT 0.20 G/CC LOADING DENSITY				WEB (middle)	INFO	---	0.107	SAMPLED 11-92	
				WEB (outer)	INFO	---	0.127	TEST FINISHED 12-92	
				L/D	INFO	---	0.932	OFFERED 1-93	
				D/d	INFO	---	30.82	DESCRIPTION SHEETS FORWARDED	
				WEB (diff %)	INFO	---	6.94		

TYPE OF PACKING CONTAINER: DOT 21-E FIBER DRUM

REMARKS: THIS DRUM CONTAINED NET PROPELLANT WEIGHT OF 100 POUNDS

THIS LOT MEETS SPECIFICATION REQUIREMENTS

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